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FROM "THE OREGONIAN" - Thursday, July 3, 1947

PILOT RECALLS SEEING DISCS.

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TWO DESCRIPTIONS CHECK.

Rankin's description of the mysterious aerial objects agrees with that of Kenneth Arnold, Boise, Idaho, business man, who first reported them over the State of Washington, except that Arnold clocked them at an estimated 1200 miles an hour.

Other reports came Wednesday from Astoria. Jack Hayes, patient in St. Mary's hospital there, said he saw two of the discs Monday flying northwest at a rapid speed and that they vanished behind the hills.

Mrs. Earl Reado, Fort Stevens, said she saw a disc traveling north over Fort Stevens Tuesday noon, and that other observers saw the same object.

The army at Fort Stevens and the coast guard at nearby Point Adams did not see the discs.

The report of a Centralia, Wash., man Wednesday coincided in matter of time with the original report made by Arnold. Sidney B. Gallagher of Centralia said he saw nine aluminum-hued objects flying north at 3 P.M. June 24. He was working 11 miles southwest of Mineral, Wash., at the time.

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Washington I realized that the articles that I saw were probably the same thing. I was still reluctant to mention this to anyone thinking that they would probably say that I was crazy. After some time I mentioned the incident to the [redacted] of the "Oregonian", a Portland, Oregon newspaper. At this time I was in Portland for the remainder of the summer. The results of the conversation with the [redacted] of the paper is put forth in the accompanying newspaper article.

I fully realize that this is a broad statement in view of the fact that there has been so much publicity put forth in various newspapers of the country. I am of sound mind in every respect and I am firmly convinced that the articles I saw are actually some sort of flying machines although I cannot say from where they came or to where they were going. I say what I have said with no idea of publicity or personal gain.

[redacted]

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PORTLAND, OREGON
30 July 1947

On 30 July 1947 [redacted] Portland, Oregon was interviewed by this agent and stated in substance as follows;

My name is [redacted]. I am 47 years old and have flown since I was nineteen years old. I first soloed in an aircraft in 1919. I have flown over all the western parts of the United States many times and have mapped all of the western part of the United States during the years before the late war for the US Forest Service. I am familiar with almost every part of the western United States. During a great part of my life I have done stunt flying for air shows and various other types of aeronautical exhibitions. My brother was [redacted] who was quite well known in both civilian and military flying circles for many years before his death and during the late war ran thousands of Flying Cadets through primary training schools owned and operated by him. To date I have accomplished 7000 hours in the air as pilot of both civilian and military aircraft. I am well acquainted with most articles that one would see in the air and I feel that I am well qualified to say what I see articles flying through the air, although I would not attempt to say that I am infallible and state that I could definitely identify every object that might be flying through the air. The following is an account of what I saw on 14 June 1947 from the yard of my home at [redacted] Bakersfield, California.

At approximately 1200 noon on the 14 of June I was lying in the front yard of my home. There was a lad mowing the lawn at the time. I looked up into the sky and saw ten articles flying from the South to the North at what I would judge to be 8500 ft. The objects were flying at approximately what I would judge to be 350 miles per hour. As I have stated before, I have done quite a lot of map work for the US Forest Service. I distinctly remember that at the time I saw the articles I mentioned it to the lad who was mowing the lawn at the time. I told the lad that the objects were in all probability some sort of Army or Navy test planes from the nearby test centers on the deserts of Southern California. Having quite a knowledge of aircraft in general I attempted to explain to the lad mowing the lawn that the objects were probably on some sort of training mission for either the Army or Navy. At that time I did not give the slightest thought to anything but that the objects were some sort of test ship for the Government services. The objects resembled the pictures that I have seen of the XF5U-1, the so called "Flying Flapjack" that the Navy is testing. After the objects disappeared I proceeded into the house and had my noon meal. At approximately 1415 I went back into the yard to sit and lie in the shade. At this time the objects reappeared going from North to South, although this time there were only seven of the articles. When I first saw the original ten objects they were flying in a "V" formation with one object seemingly straggling in the rear of the formation. When the objects appeared the second time they were still in the "V" formation although there was only seven of the objects at this time. I remember at this time that I told the lad, who was still working on the lawn, that probably three of the objects had proceeded back to their base on a different course. I actually thought that this was the case, that the other three objects had probably gone back to their base on the other side of the mountains from Bakersfield. A week or so later when I read of [redacted] claims that he had seen articles flying through the air over the Cascade mountains

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Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, A-2
Intelligence
Hamilton Field, California

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333.5 ID

4 August 1947

SUBJECT: Investigation of "Flying Discs"

TO: Special Agent in Charge, FBI, U. S. Dept of Justice, Suite 426, 111 Sutter Street, San Francisco 4, California.

Inclosed herewith is information copy of MOIC and newspaper clipping re subject.

WILLIAM R. GRAHAM
Major, Air Corps
Deputy AC of S, A-2

2 Incls:
1. MOIC Sorensen 7 Jul 47.
2. Newspaper clipping dtd 15 Jul 47.

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From the Oregon Journal - continued.

MORE SEEN LATER.

Several late flights of objects over Portland were reported Friday afternoon. E. A. Evans, 5435 SW Macadam avenue, said he saw three fly east across the Willamette river near the Ross Island bridge about 2 p.m.

The objects did not appear high, he said, and were traveling so fast that, appearing in the west, they were out of sight in the east in two to four seconds. He said they resembled metallic disks glinting in the sunlight.

Later, he said, he and neighbors saw a single disk-like object flying north far away and very high.

At 4:30 p.m., Mrs. Lawrence J. Hayward, 3124 NE 21st Avenue, reported sighting a disk "like a new dime flipping around" in the air over the Sandy district. She said it seemed to be moving slowly.

PAPER RECOVERED.

Thomas W. Dwyer, 1232 NE 59th Avenue, said he sighted two white or silver objects flying southeast high over Portland a few minutes before 5 p.m. He reported another, headed northeast, over his home at 5:30 p.m.

C. J. Magie, Tigard, reported that four disks flew past Mount Jefferson at about 11 a.m. while he was driving near Redmond.

Sherman Cook, 2000 NE 25th avenue, recovered from Rose City golf course a piece of paper he said had fallen from a great height in the sky. Time of its fall coincided with some of the reports of flying disks. The paper, of low quality, measured 25½ x 36 inches.

SILVERED DISKS, DROPPED BY PLANE.

EUGENE, July 5. (AP)- A Eugene railroad cashier said Friday he saw silvered disks being dropped out of a light airplane flying over this city.

S. R. Smith, Rt. 2, Eugene, an assistant cashier for the Southern Pacific Railroad, said he was driving on a Eugene street when --

FROM THE OREGON JOURNAL - 5 July 1947 Portland, O

AIRLINES CREW CONFIRMS REPORTS OF FLYING DISKS; FIVE SPOTTED.

Circumstantial reports of flying disks in the sky Friday came from the crew of a United Airlines plane over Boise, Idaho, and a coast guardsman near Seattle, as well as from Portland area police and citizens.

E. J. Smith, captain of the airliner, told United Press that he sighted five "somethings" which were "thin and smooth on the bottom and rough appearing on top." The objects appeared against the sunset shortly after the plane took off at 8:04 p.m., he said.

"We saw them clearly," he reported. "We followed them in a northwesterly direction for about 45 miles. Finally the objects disappeared. We were unable to tell whether they outsped us or disintegrated."

NOT AIRCRAFT.

"We can't say whether they were saucer-like, oval or anything else," the captain said, "but whatever they were, they were not another aircraft, nor were they smoke or clouds."

In Seattle, Coast Guardsman Frank Ryman, 27, reported to United Press that he snapped a picture from the front porch of his home which showed a "white saucer" flying over the north end of Lake Washington.

Acme News Pictures, New York City, said a 7x9 inch print of the photograph showed two tiny dots, one of which was a flaw in the print.

Don Metcalfe, 19, Oaks Amusement park employe, reported that he saw several objects "like spinning disks" in the sky Friday. He said several picnickers, including a woman pilot noticed them.

In Vancouver, Wash., Sheriff's Deputies John Sullivan, Clarence McKay and Fred Krives heard the Portland police radio broadcast and ran out of the sheriff's office to look at the sky. Over Portland, three to five miles away, Sullivan said, they saw 20 to 30 objects "like a flight of geese." They heard a low humming sound.

OTHERS DOUBTFUL.

Col. G. R. Dodson, commander of the Oregon national guard, made an inspection of this area from the air after the disks were reported here. He said he saw nothing "suspicious."

Only known military airplanes in the air at the time of the reports were 23 B-29 bombers near Astoria.

Despite all the reports, at least two persons remained unconvinced of the existence of the disks. Al P. Sanford, Holgate moorage, gave his opinion that the objects were cottonwood blossoms.

Burl Mollsch, 34, of 6604 N. Burrage avenue, telephoned the Journal to berate the newspapers for "perpetuating a hoax." He said he saw objects in the sky about a minute after an airplane passed over his house. To him the objects looked like bits of aluminum foil, perhaps cigarette wrappers.

UNEXPLAINED FLYING DISCS
7 July 1947

5. This agent interviewed W. A. Lissy and D. W. Ellis, both Patrolmen, Portland City Police Department and both possess private pilots licenses. Both officers advised that upon hearing the radio alert, they saw three flat round discs, having a white color to them. These discs were, according to these officers, flying at a terrific speed in a Southerly direction away from Portland. They described them as flying in a straight line formation, the last disc fluttering very rapidly in a side way arc. They further advised the discs were equally spaced and kept in formation. Both officers estimated the discs altitude at 40,000 feet. They saw no evidence of any motivating powers and vapor trails or smoke trails. Both officers stated these discs were traveling so fast, they were out of sight before any detailed observation could be made, or any sound could be heard.

AGENT'S NOTE: All informants mentioned herein are known to this Agent as very dependable and trustworthy officers, not being afflicted with hallucinations. The weather in the Portland area at this time was clear with little or no cloud formations being visable from the ground. Ground temperature at this time was 82 degrees Fahrenheit.

Keith A. Sorensen, S/A CIC, Sixth Army

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dtd 30 Jul 47.
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LOIC Aldrich, 14 Jul 47.

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FROM THE OREGON JOURNAL - 5 July 1947, Portland, Ore.

"PROWL CARS SPOT DISKS IN SKY HERE"

Whatever they are, there are some disk-like objects flying around in the sky.

Or else eight Portland area policemen and deputy sheriffs who sighted the objects Friday, numerous private citizens, the crew of a United Air Lines plane over Boise, Idaho, and a coastguardsman who claims to have photographed one near Seattle, are all wrong.

In Portland the alert was sounded over police radio at 1:06 p.m. Friday, after the East Side station received a score of calls that the disks were overhead. Within seconds, two prowl cars reported spotting the mystery craft.

FLASHES SEEN, NOISE LACKING.

First to report in were Patrolmen Walter Lissy and Robert Ellis in Car No. 82, who stopped near Lake Park. Both World War II veterans and civilian pilots, they sighted three of the objects within 30 seconds traveling at great height and speed over the park. They reported they heard no engine noises but saw flashes. The objects seemed erratic and changed direction of flight. The patrolmen agreed that without knowledge of the size of the objects it would be impossible to judge their speed or altitude.

Patrolman Earl Patterson in car No. 33 stopped at SE 82d avenue and Foster road to look eastward from where the disks were reported. Telephone calls located them coming out of the sun. He saw nothing, but a few seconds later observed one coming out of the west and heading southwest. The craft seemed to be aluminum or eggshell white and didn't flash or reflect light, he said.

OBJECTS UNIDENTIFIED.

A former aircorps veteran, he said the object was unlike any plane he'd ever seen. He thought it appeared radio-controlled because the disk could change direction at a 90-degree angle without difficulty.

Members of the harbor patrol at the foot of NW Irving street stepped out when they heard the all-car alert. Capt. K. A. Prehn, Harbor Pilot A. T. Austed and Patrolman K. C. Hoff all saw the objects and said they appeared to be going south high over the Globe mills at terrific speed. Capt. Prehn said the flashes kept them from ascertaining whether there were three or six.

"The disks would oscillate and sometimes we would see a full disk, then a half-moon shape, then nothing at all," he reported. "The objects looked more like a shiny chromium hub cap off a car which wobbled, disappeared and reappeared."

There was a plane in the sky at the time, but all were emphatic that the disks were not planes.

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UNIDENTIFIABLE OBJECTS,
WILLIAMS FIELD, CHANDLER
ARIZONA.

14 July 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR THE OFFICER IN CHARGE:

On 8 July 1947, this Agent obtained pictures of unidentifiable objects, (Exhibits 1 and 2) from the managing editor of the Arizona Republic newspaper. The pictures were taken by Mr. William Rhoads, 4333 N. 14th St., Phoenix, Arizona, at sunset, on 7 July 1947. The Subject objects flew at unconceivable speeds, making three circles in the vicinity of Mr. Rhoads' home. The pictures were taken with a box camera, size 620. The photograph (Exhibit 1) was taken as the object passed in front of Mr. Rhoads, and Exhibit 2 as the object turned towards Mr. Rhoads. The height of the object was estimated at 1000 feet.

AGENT'S NOTES: See Exhibits 1 and 2, photographs of unidentifiable objects, enlarged approximately 20 times. No further reports have been received by this office of objects seen by military personnel.

Lynn. C. Aldrich, Special Agent, CIC - AAF, FDTRC

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7 July 1947

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1. At 1305, 4 July 1947, a radio alert was issued via the Portland City Police Radio, advising all cars and listeners that some fast flying objects were in the air over Portland and vicinity. Upon contacting the radio dispatcher, this agent was advised that Kenneth A. McDowell, Patrolman, Portland City Police Department, residing at 916 S. E. Bush Street, Portland, Oregon, on duty at Precinct #1, Portland City Police, Southeast Morrison at 10th Avenue, had called in advising the dispatcher of the flying objects.

2. This agent interviewed Officer McDowell who stated at approximately 1305, 4 July 1947, he was on duty at Precinct #1, and was in the parking lot back of the Police Station, feeding the pidgeons. At this time the pidgeons became very excited over something and fluttered in the air all at once. Officer McDowell stated in looking around to see what had disturbed them, he saw five large discs in the air to the East of Portland two discs flying South and three flying in an Easterly direction. Officer McDowell stated he could determine no color to the discs, but advised they were dipping in an up and down oscillating motion and were traveling at a great speed. He was unable to give an estimate of the speed or altitude of these discs as they were out of sight before any detailed observation could be made. Officer McDowell advised he notified the Police Radio who immediately broadcast an alert. Officer McDowell advised he saw no indication of any motivating force or heard any sound coming from these discs and could give no description other than round.

3. This agent interviewed Sergeant Claude Cross, Oregon State Police Officer on duty at District Number 1 Station, Milwaukie, Oregon. Cross stated upon hearing the radio alert he went outside and upon looking in an Easterly direction he saw three discs following each other at an undetermined altitude and at a terrific speed, traveling in a Northwesterly direction. Cross advised he noticed a whitish brown glint to these objects as the sun reflected from them. Cross was unable to give any other description nor could he judge the objects speed or altitude. No sound was made by the objects.

4. This agent interviewed Earl W. Patterson, Patrolman, Portland City Police Department, and residing at 124 Southeast 13th Avenue, Portland, Oregon. Patterson advises he was a former Air Corps pilot during the war. He stated that the time the radio alert sounded, he was at Southeast 82nd and Foster Road, Portland, and upon getting out of his car he saw one disc flying in a Southwesterly direction over Portland. Patterson advised this disc was aluminum in color, left no vapor trail or smoke trail and was traveling at a terrific speed, faster than he has ever seen any flying object before. Patterson further advised, although not knowing the exact size of the object it is difficult to determine the altitude, he estimates its altitude at 30,000 feet.

Patterson further advised the flying disc was definitely some type of aircraft but he could not give any further description as its speed made observation difficult. He heard no sound emitted by the flying object.

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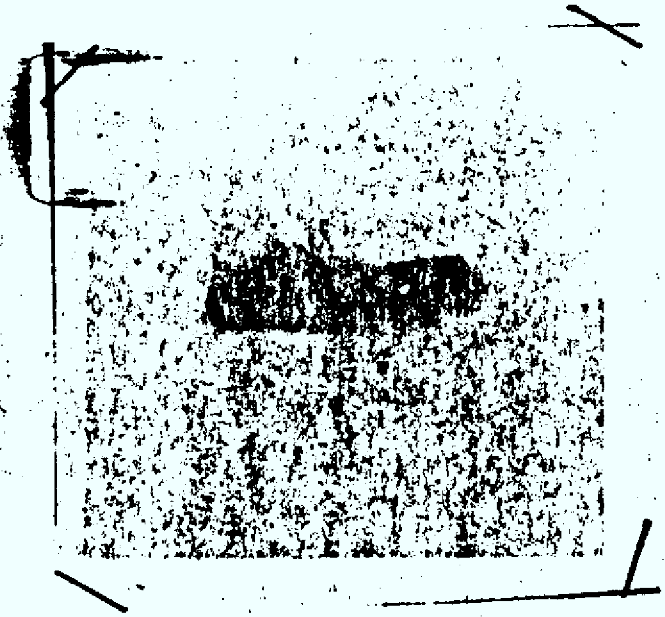

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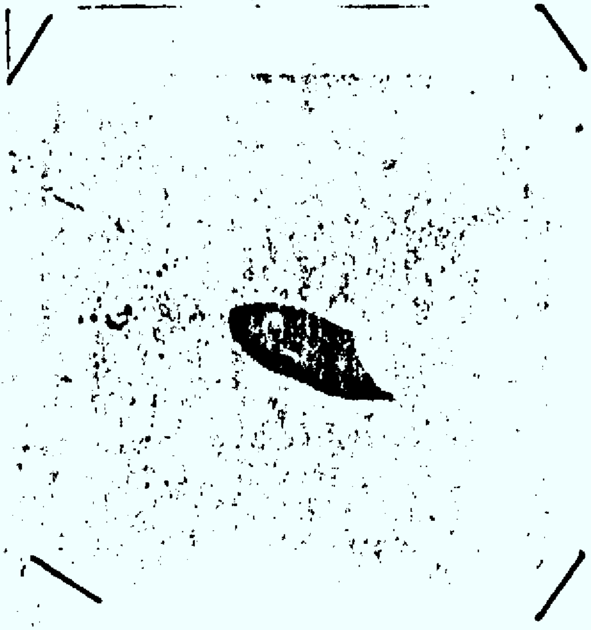

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EXHIBIT #1+2

THE OREGONIAN, THURSDAY, JULY 3, 1947 11

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August 5, 1947

[redacted] b7c
Omaha, Nebraska

Dear [redacted] b7c Flying Disc

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter postmarked July 10, 1947, together with its enclosure.

Inasmuch as the information which you furnished is of interest to the War Department I have taken the liberty of furnishing it to that agency for their consideration.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI DATE: August 12, 1947

FROM : SAC, MILWAUKEE

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS
SABOTAGE

Reference is made to Bureau Bulletin No. 42, Series 1947, dated July 30, 1947, Section (B), which advises that all reports concerning flying discs should be investigated by field offices.

Prior to the receipt of these instructions, two instances were called to the attention of this office concerning flying discs. One report was received July 7, 1947, the details of which are set forth in Milwaukee letter to the Bureau dated July 8, 1947, entitled, "Flying Discs or Saucers, Miscellaneous, Telephone Call from Mr. Fletcher at the Bureau at 8:30 a.m., 7-7-47." No investigation was conducted concerning this report.

The second report was received by this office at 1:20 p.m. July 11, 1947, from [redacted] who is in charge of the Civil Air Patrol of Wisconsin, an auxiliary of the Army Air Forces. On that occasion [redacted] calling from Black River Falls, Wisconsin, telephonically advised this office that an object in the shape of a disc, nineteen inches in diameter had been found July 10, 1947, by one [redacted] city electrician on the Jackson County fairgrounds, near Black River Falls, Wisconsin, about 3:30 p.m. The disc might be made of a substance such as cardboard covered by a silver airplane dope material. The contraption has a small wooden tail like a rudder in the back and inside of the disc is what appears to be an RCA photo-electric cell or tube. Also inside the disc is a little electric motor with a shaft running to the center of the disc. At one end of the shaft is a very small propeller. In [redacted] opinion that contraption might possibly have been made by some juvenile. [redacted] stated that he desired to return the contraption to Milwaukee and eventually turn it over to the Army Air Forces, but that the finder, [redacted] apparently wanted to get some publicity on his find and wanted it returned to him. b7C

This information was telephonically called to the attention of Assistant Director D. M. LADD of the Bureau on July 11, 1947.

Subsequently, SAC H. K. JOHNSON telephoned Colonel [redacted] in charge of Counter Intelligence, Fifth Army, Chicago AC of S G-2 Headquarters Fifth Army, East Hyde Park Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, who stated he would contact [redacted] of Black River Falls, Wisconsin. b7C

No further investigation was conducted in this matter.

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The above constitutes the only two instances in which this office was contacted concerning flying discs. Unless contrary instructions are received from the Bureau, this office does not contemplate taking any further action in connection with the above two cases, but will fully investigate all future reports concerning flying discs.

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Gandy

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FBI PORTLAND 8-11-47 1-17 PM PST KAM [redacted]

DIRECTOR U R G E N T

FLYING DISCS. SECURITY MATTER DASH X. ONE [redacted] FOREMR NAVY PILOT AND PRESENTLY [redacted] MYRTLE CREEK, OREGON, REPORTS SEEING A MYSTERIOUS OBJECT ON TWO OCASIONS THE EVENING OF AUGUST SIXTH WHILE FLYING AT ABOUT FIVE THOUSAND FEET ABOVE MYRTLE CREEK. HATFIELD TO BE INTERVIEWED.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : D. M. Ladd

FROM : J. P. Coyne

DATE: August 1, 1947

SUBJECT: MRS. [redacted] b7c
INFORMANT

There is attached hereto a letter received from the captioned individual postmarked July 12, 1947, concerning "flying saucers."

There is also attached a letter of acknowledgement to [redacted] b7c [redacted] together with a letter to the War Department for approval.

It is recommended that the letter to the War Department be forwarded to the Liaison Section for transmittal to that agency.

Done

Attachments handled separately

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WASH FROM SFRAN S2 8-9-47 2-50 PM KC

DIRECTOR FBI AND SACS, SEATTLE AND PORTLAND URGENT

FLYING DISKS, SECURITY MATTER-X. LT. COL. [redacted] OF G2, SAN FRANCISCO, ADVISED TODAY HE HAS NO FURTHER INFORMATION AND THAT OUR SEATTLE OFFICE IS IN POSSESSION OF ALL INFORMATION KNOWN BY HIM AND IS HANDLING THE MATTER AT TACOMA, WASHINGTON.

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KIMBALL

RECEIVED 8-9-47 8:15 AM EDST

SACS SEATTLE AND PORTLAND ADVISED

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If the intelligence contained in the above message is to be disseminated outside the Bureau, it is suggested that it be suitably paraphrased in order to protect the Bureau's coding systems.

[redacted]
San Diego 4, Calif.

6751 [redacted] b7

THE ROUND ROBIN

THE FLYING ROLL

[redacted]

San Diego, California. July 8, 1947 -

(For your Information) - A MEMORANDUM OF IMPORTANCE -

THIS MEMORANDUM is respectfully addressed to certain scientists of distinction to important aeronautical and military authorities, to a number of public officials and to a few publications.

The writer has little expectation that anything of import will be accomplished by this gesture. The mere fact that the data herein were obtained by so-called supernormal means is probably sufficient to insure its disregard by nearly all the persons addressed; nevertheless it seems a public duty to make it available. (The present writer has several university degrees and was formerly a university department head).

A very serious situation may develop at any time with regard to the "flying saucers." If one of these should be attacked, the attacking plane will almost certainly be destroyed. In the public mind this might create near panic and international suspicion. The principal data concerning these craft is now at hand and must be offered, no matter how fantastic and unintelligible it may seem to minds not previously instructed in thinking of this type.

1. Part of the disks carry crews, others are under remote control.
2. Their mission is peaceful. The visitors contemplate settling on this plane
3. These visitors are human-like but much larger in size.

4. They are NOT excarnate earth people, but come from their own world.
5. They do NOT come from any "planet" as we use the word, but from an etheric planet which interpenetrates with our own and is not perceptible to us.
6. The bodies of the visitors, and the craft also, automatically "materialize on entering the vibratory rate of our dense matter. (Cp. "apports.")

7. The disks possess a type of radiant energy, or a ray, which will easily disintegrate any attacking ship. They reenter the etheric at will, and so simply disappear from our vision, without trace.
8. The region from which they come is NOT the "astral plane", but corresponds to the Lokas or Talas. Students of esoteric matters will understand these terms.
9. They probably cannot be reached by radio, but probably can be by radar, if a signal system can be devised for that apparatus.

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We give information and warning, and can do no more. Let the newcomers be treated with every kindness. Unless the disks are withdrawn, a situation eventuates with which our culture and science are incapable of dealing. A heavy responsibility rests upon the few in authority who are able to understand ~~this matter.~~

[redacted] b7c

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San Diego, California.

Addendum: The lokas are oval shape, fluted length [illegible] oval with a heat-resisting metal or alloy not yet [illegible] the front edge contains the controls; the middle portion [illegible] laboratory; the rear contains armament, which consists essentially of a powerful [illegible] energy apparatus, perhaps a ray apparatus. [illegible]

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI DATE: August 8, 1947

FROM : SAC, Norfolk [redacted]

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS

Re Bureau Bulletin No. 42, dated July 30, 1947, Series 1947, wherein information is set forth pertaining to flying discs.

There is enclosed with this letter a newspaper clipping from the "Norfolk Ledger-Dispatch", dated July 9, 1947. The photograph appearing on this clipping is alleged to represent a flying disc which was observed by BILLY TURRENTINE, a Norfolk school boy, who was successful in photographing the object with his small camera.

BILLY was interviewed on August 8, 1947 by Special Agent (A) [redacted] at which time BILLY informed that the original negative was given by him to a Mr. BROWN of the Photo Craftsman Service, who in turn furnished the negative to the International News Service. BILLY advised that he has an agreement with Mr. BROWN whereby the latter will share equally in any profits derived from the use of the negative by commercial firms or newspapers. As of August 8, 1947 BILLY has not received any remuneration for the use of this negative.

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He informed that he was sitting on the front porch of his apartment which is located on the third floor at 410 West 14th Street, Norfolk, Virginia, around noontime on July 8, 1947. He had read numerous newspaper articles pertaining to flying discs and decided to sit on his front porch in the hopes of seeing one and attempting to photograph it. On July 8, 1947 BILLY observed a large, black object moving rapidly through space proceeding from the southwest to a northeast direction. He said the black object was followed by two smaller objects which also proceeded in the same direction. BILLY explained that the objects were moving at a very fast speed which appeared to him to be much faster than the speed of an airplane, and further, that the objects appeared to be extremely high. He said that they were much higher than the average plane travels in the City of Norfolk and appeared to be above the clouds, and that a white mist followed each of the three objects. BILLY was unable to state what the black objects represented, but admitted that they could have been large balloons. He indicated that he has observed small, toy balloons flying through the air, but that definitely these were not the toy type balloons. He said that when he first observed the objects they were at such a great distance from him that it was not necessary that he raise his head in order to see them from his porch on the third floor of the apartment building. He immediately turned around to obtain

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his camera and estimated it took him approximately twenty to thirty seconds, at which time the discs were almost directly over his apartment and it was necessary that he stoop and look up almost perpendicular in order to obtain the photograph, which accounts for the porch railing being shown in the newspaper clipping. BILLY pointed out that the day on which he took the picture, the weather was hazy and somewhat cloudy and there was a slight breeze blowing from the southwest in the general direction of the northeast, which is the same direction traveled by the black image which he photographed.

Inasmuch as the Army authorities in the Tidewater Area of Virginia are cognizant of the above information, no further investigation will be conducted by this office in this matter.

Enclosure.

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From Norfolk Ledger-

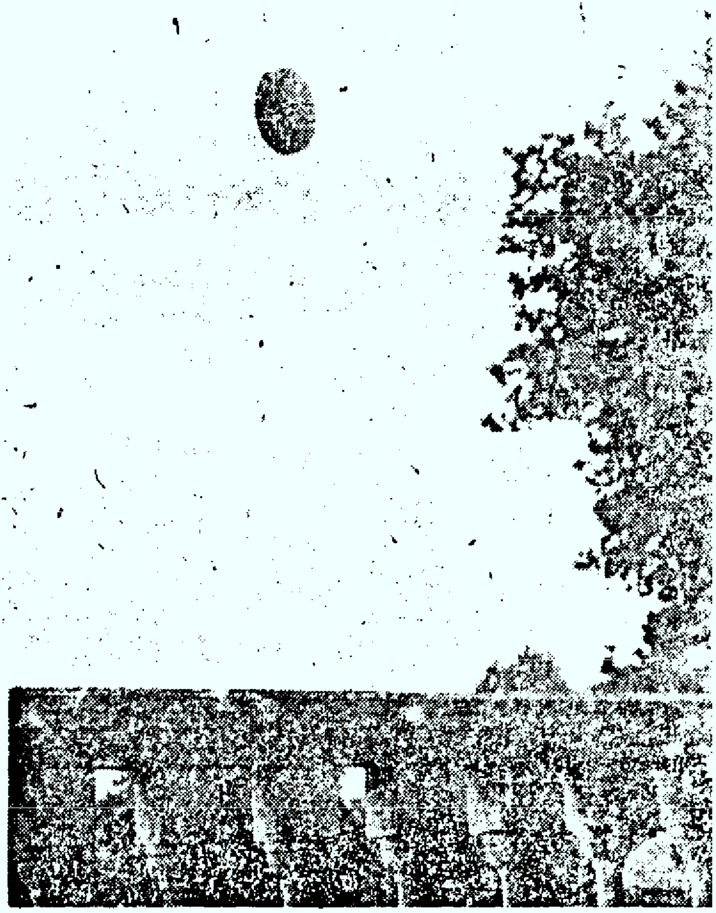
Date 7-9-47

Flying Disc 'Bigger Than Automobile' Photographed By Youth Who Is Amazed Because No One Else Saw It

By GEORGE HEBERT

The flying disc "was lots bigger than an automobile" and 15-year-old Bil Turrentine, of 410 West Fourteenth Street, doesn't understand why almost everybody in Norfolk didn't see it.

In fact, when he came to the Ledger-Dispatch with a photograph he had taken of the object, he wanted to know why the newspapers hadn't already taken a picture of it. "I thought your photographers were fast," he told a reporter.



NORFOLK BOY AND PHOTO OF DISC—Bill Turrentine, 15, (righ tells Ledger-Dispatch reporter George Herbert (left) of the "luck circumstances which enabled him to take the photograph at f right of a flying disc. However, the boy said the object pictured he looked and moved more like a football, being rounded and oval, rath than disc-like. Bill took this picture from the porch of his home 410 West Fourteenth Street between 11 o'clock and noon Tuesda using an old camera, with the shutter set at 1/100th of a second. said the "flying football" shown here was followed by two small ones, all moving at about 600 miles an hour and he guessed they we about 5,000 feet high, just below the clouds. The photograph reprodu ed here is an enlargement made by Photo Craftsmen. In the fo ground of young Turrentine's picture is the porch rail of his home.

(Editor's Note: Although the Ledger-Dispatch has had many reports of flying discs and saucers in recent days, no other person reported seeing the object which Turrentine photographed.)

However, Bill said he had done some fast moving himself shortly before noon Tuesday, when he stood on his front porch and saw the large gray object, "rocking and spinning like a football" and coming from the southwest.

He had just returned from Summer school classes at Maury, he said, and with all the talk about "flying saucers," had gone out with his camera to see if he could see anything.

"I don't see why they call them flying saucers," he said. "The big one I took a picture of and the two little ones that came behind it a few seconds later didn't look anything like saucers."

Looked Like Football

The boy stuck to his football comparison, explaining that the object was sort of rounded, more oval than disc-like, and that though it wobbled in its northeastward flight it was traveling very rapidly, about 600 miles an hour.

He guessed that the altitude of the thing was about 5,000 feet, just below the clouds. In color it was "gray, almost black," and looked like a "burned crisp," or maybe a rock or stone. The edges glittered, he said, and seemed to be trailing dust. Neither it nor the two which followed made any sound.

Bill said he wasn't very surprised when he saw the object, but "almost killed myself" getting shots of it with his camera, set at 1/100th of a second.

He called his 18-year-old sister, Josephine, to come and look, but apparently she didn't believe him.

As the "flying football" passed over, Bill said he took three shots of it, but when he hurriedly developed the film, after legging it to Olney Road for a vial of developer, only one negative came out well enough for reproduction.

He showed a reporter a contact print he had made himself, and the picture reproduced here is an enlargement made by Photo Craftsmen.

Photo experts of this firm are convinced that the boy did a fine job with the old camera he was using. Having closely examined the negative, they said the only flaw was in the kind of film, which perhaps didn't bring out enough detail. They pointed out, however, that this wasn't really a flaw, in view of the fact that Bill's photograph, with the comparison afforded by the front porch rail and the trees, was certainly the best one taken since the mysterious discs were first reported.

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WASHINGTON 1 FROM NEWARK 8-4-47 5-36 PM EDST JFG [redacted]

DIRECTOR URGENT

FLYING DISC REPORTED AT HACKENSACK, NJ AUGUST THREE, NINETEEN FORTY SEVEN , MISC. INFORMATION RECEIVED THAT [redacted] AGE [redacted] [redacted] AGE TWENTY, [redacted] HACKENSACK AND [redacted] [redacted] FT. DIX, NJ ON LATE AFTERNOON AUGUST THIRD LAST SIGHTED FROM GROUND OBJECT DESCRIBED AS FLYING DISC. [redacted] CLAIMED IT WAS TWO HUNDRED [redacted] YDS, IN AIR, REVOLVING SLOWLY, MOVING RAPIDLY, AND NEITHER A KITE NOR A BALLOON. [redacted] TELEPHONED INFORMATION TO HACKENSACK PD. INQUIRY BEING MADE, BUREAU WILL BE KEPT ADVISED.

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DIRECTOR AND SACS SEATTLE AND SAN FRANCISCO URGENT

FLYING DISCS, SM DASH X. RE TELEPHONE CALL FROM MR. LADD, ONE PM TODAY REQUESTING TELETYPE SUMMARY CONCERNING NEWSPAPER REPORTS OF RECENT REPORTED FLYING DISCS IN PORTLAND AREA AND A REPORTED CONFEREN OF ARMY OFFICIALS IN PORTLAND CONCERNING FLYING DISCS. [redacted] [redacted] THE OREGONIAN, ADVISED THAT A CAPTAIN WILLIAM L. DAVIDSON AND LT. FRANK M. BROWN OF FOURTH AAF HEADQUARTERS SAN FRANCISCO WERE IN PORTLAND JULY TWENTYSEVEN LAST AND INTERVIEWED [redacted] N EXPERIENCED PILOT, WHO HAD REPORTED JUNE FOURTEEN LAST SEEING A FORMATION OF TEN FLYING DISCS OVER BAKERSFIELD , CALIF. ACCORDING TO [redacted] THEY HAD ALSO INTERVIEWED FOLLOWING FOUR EXPERIENCED PILOTS WHO WERE AMONG FIRST WHO REPORTED SEEING DISCS - [redacted] TO ASCERTAIN THE PURPOSE OF THE INTERVEWS [redacted] CONTACTED MAJOR ~~GENERAL TWINING~~ OF WRIGHT FIELD, OHIO BY PHONE AT ALBUQUERQUE, NM, AND FROM HIM GAINED THE IMPRESSION THAT THE AAF INSTITUTED THIS INVESTIGATION TO WASH OUT THE DISC REPORTS, SINCE THEY ARE DEFINITELY NOT OF AAF ORIGI ON FRIDAY, AUGUST FIRST, THE PLANE IN WHICH AAF INVESTIGATORS CAPTAI DAVIDSON AND LT. BROWN WERE RIDING, CRASHED AT KELSO, WASH. AND BOTH

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WERE KILLED. THE WRECKAGE WAS SCREENED BY AAF INTELLIGENCE FROM MCCHORD FIELD. THE TACOMA NEWS TRIBUNE AND THROUGH THEM THE UNITED PRESS PUT OUT A STORY THE PLANE WAS CARRYING PARTS OF A DISC WHICH HAD STRUCK A BOAT OWNED BY HAROLD DAHL AND FRED CRISMAN , TACOMA, WN.

b7c [redacted] ADVISED THAT TODAYS ISSUE OF THE OREGONIAN CARRIES A UP STOR STATING THAT DAHL DENIES SAYING THE METAL FRAGMENTS HE FURNISHED WERE FROM A DISC, AND ANALYSIS OF THE FRAGMENTS SHOWS THEM TO BE FROM A TACOMA SLAG MILL. NO AAF INTELLIGENCE PERSONNEL AVAILABLE PORTLAND. NO RECENT SUBSTANTIVE REPORTS OF FLYING DISCS IN THE PORTLAND AREA. SEATTLE VERIFY AT MCCHORD FIELD AND SAN FRANCISCO VERIFY AT AAF HDQRTS. SF, SUBMITTING TELETYPE SUMMARIES TO THE BUREAU. NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION PORTLAND.

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cc Mr. Ladd.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : D. M. LADD

DATE: August 6, 1947

FROM : [redacted] b7C

SUBJECT: FLYING SAUCERS

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Special Agent [redacted] of the Liaison Section contacted Lieutenant Colonel [redacted], Army Air Forces Intelligence, inquiring about an article which appeared in the West Coast newspapers recently stating in substance that an airplane carrying recovered flying saucers crashed in route from Portland, Oregon, to Los Angeles, California. b7C

[redacted] advised [redacted] that the only information that has been received by Headquarters of the Army Air Forces is that a CIC Agent of the 4th Air Forces Headquarters, Hamilton Field, San Francisco, was killed in an airplane crash. The Headquarters of the Air Forces have been advised that he was on a top secret mission. [redacted] indicated that he was under the impression that the CIC Agent was either on route to or from an interview with [redacted] who is one of the individuals who first saw one of the flying saucers. b7C

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[redacted] stated that the Air Forces have no additional information and will receive none until the report is received from the 4th Air Forces. [redacted] suggested that the San Francisco Field Office contact Colonel [redacted] Headquarters 4th Air Forces, Hamilton Field, San Francisco, who undoubtedly would be able to furnish the details regarding this matter which are at this time unknown by the Headquarters of the Air Forces. [redacted] pointed out to [redacted], however, that it was his belief that no flying saucers have been recovered but that it was merely an attempt to reinterview an individual who previously had reported seeing one of the flying saucers. b7C

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To: Director of Intelligence
War Department General Staff
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

Attention: Colonel [redacted] b7C

From: John Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: [redacted] b7C

There are attached hereto copies of a letter received from the above-captioned individual concerning "flying discs."

[redacted] letter has been acknowledged and he has been advised that copies of his letter have been furnished to you for your consideration. b7C

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WASHINGTON, D. C.

Date 9-10-47 Case References Flying Saucer

Consigned to [redacted] b7C

Estill, South Carolina

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Waukesha, Wis.

Attn.

Federal Bureau of Investigation

Gentlemen;

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Recently I have heard and read about reports of disc-shaped aircraft or whatever they are, in our western regions. They reminded me of a nearly forgotten incident in Germany, after the war. I report this to you because I feel this may be of international scope.

My buddy and I went on pass to see a friend of his. One evening the three of us were driving along some back roads when I sighted a strange looking object in the sky from eight to ten miles to our front and approximatly 5,000 feet high.

I immediatly stopped the jeep for a better look. The object rapidly came toward us, descending slowly. About a mile away it stopped it's horizontal motion but continued a slow oscillating descent, similar to a descending parachute. Then suddenly it dropped in a spiral motion.

Immediatly I drove over to where it had dropped. It took almost five minutes to reach the place but we saw nothing. After ten minutes of cruising around the area it became too dark to see so we went back to town.

I am not sure my companions saw this because it happened so quickly it could easily have been missed, but I described what I had seen so vividly that they were as excited as I was. My first impression was that it was a cloud but it was traveling at right angles to the wind.

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The local of this incident was approximatly 120 miles north-west of Habberbishopshiem. If necessary, I will swear to the authenticity of this and to the shape of the object.

Sincerely Yours,

[redacted]

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

AUGUST 7, 1947

Transmit the following message to:

SAC, DETROIT "URGENT"

UNSUBS, [redacted] INFORMANTS, FLYING DISC, MISC.

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To : Director of Intelligence
War Department General Staff
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

Attention: [redacted] b7C

From : John Edgar Hoover, Director - Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject : [redacted] b7C

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WILLIAMS FIELD, CHANDLER,
ARIZONA.

7 July 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR THE OFFICER IN CHARGE:

1. On 1 July 1947, Lt William G. McGinty, USN, 195803, P-80 Student, Williams Field, Chandler, Arizona, was interviewed by this Agent, and stated in substance: That on 30 June 1947, at about 0910, MST, he was flying at 25,000 feet over Grand Canyon, Arizona, in a P-80 type aircraft. He stated that he was heading south towards Williams Field, Arizona, when he saw two round objects going at inconceivable speeds, straight down. He further stated that his reactions were to turn away from the objects. He further stated that one of the unidentifiable objects followed the other seconds apart. He further stated that due to the speed of the objects, he could only see that they were circular, and that they were possible light gray in color. He further stated that it was his opinion that the objects were approximately eight feet in diameter. In conclusion, he stated that the objects would have probably hit the ground approximately twenty-five miles south of the South Rim of Grand Canyon, Arizona.

AGENT'S NOTES: Lt McGinty gave his permanent address as: N.A.M.T.C., Point Mugu, Port Hueneme, Calif.

2. On 1 July 1947, Captain Malcolm G. Armstrong, O-734168, Instructor, Single Engine, Williams Field, Chandler, Arizona, was interviewed by this Agent and stated in substance: That his brother, 1st Lt E. B. Armstrong, stationed at Hq, 10th AAF, Brooks AAF, Texas had related to him that he saw a formation of unexplainable objects in the vicinity of Lake Mead, Nev. Captain Armstrong, further stated that his brother stated the objects were heading south, and were at approximately 10,000 feet altitude.

AGENT'S NOTES: Captain Armstrong could not give too much information on the objects that his brother had seen. Lt. E. B. Armstrong can be contacted at Hq, 10th AAF, Brooks Field, Texas for further information.

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Lynn C. Aldrich, Special Agent, CIC-AAF, FDTRC

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JOHN K. ORR, Major, A.C.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : D.M.LADD

FROM : [redacted] b7C

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS
Miscellaneous

DATE: July 7, 1947
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[redacted] b7C

SAC Weeks called from New Orleans on the matter discussed in the attached teletype. He wanted to know what policy the Bureau was following in connection with reports concerning these "flying discs" which were being received.

I told Mr. Weeks that, unless advised to the contrary, he should, in the particular case at hand, allow G-2 to handle and not take any jurisdiction for the FBI. He was told the Bureau would be interested in being kept advised of developments, and in copies of the photographs he said G-2 would make of the object found, but that he should not allow himself to be jockeyed into a position where investigative responsibility, if any were entailed, would fall on us. Mr. Weeks said he would so handle unless I called him back immediately with instructions for specific action.

As you will recall, I called you concerning the foregoing.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI DATE: July 22, 1947

FROM : SAC, EL PASO

SUBJECT: [redacted] b7C
FLYING OBJECTS IN AIR

[redacted]

[redacted] has come to the resident agency at Santa Fe, New Mexico on several occasions to report that she has received information concerning flying objects passing through the air. Some of the reports that she has received concern light objects seen at night which have allegedly been followed by explosions. She advised that one of such objects was reported by [redacted], who works near Canjilon, New Mexico. She claims that others were seen near Park View and Tierra Amarilla, New Mexico. b7C

[redacted] called attention to clippings from various newspapers concerning "disc-like" objects seen in New Mexico and other parts of the country. b7C

[redacted] claims to be a student of radio waves and ray forms, and contends that the above mentioned objects may be missiles similar to those appearing over Sweden some time ago. b7

[redacted] has discussed the above with officials of the Atomic Energy Commission, and has written the Secretary of War and other government officials concerning her theories. [redacted] for the A.E.C., has advised that officials at Los Alamos consider [redacted] unreliable and possibly not well balanced mentally. She has mentioned to agents of this office that she was struck by lightning when a child. b7C

On July 15, [redacted] came to the Santa Fe resident agency and advised that she had written to WALTER WINCHELL, promising him a story in connection with the "flying discs." b7C

b7C The foregoing information is being submitted to the Bureau, inasmuch as [redacted] has written to several government officials and Mr. WINCHELL.

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TO : D. M. LADD

FROM : E. G. Fitch

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS

DATE: 7/24/47

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Mr. Coffey
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. [redacted]
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Mohr
Mr. Carson
Mr. Hendon
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Reference is made to my memorandum to you in the above captioned matter dated July 10, 1947, indicating that Brigadier General George F. Schulgen of the Army Air Corps Intelligence had requested that the Bureau cooperate with the Army Air Corps Intelligence in connection with the above captioned matter. The Director noted on the referenced memorandum, "I would do it but before agreeing to it we must insist upon full access to discs recovered. For instance in the La. case the Army grabbed it and would not let us have it for cursory examination."

This is to advise that Special Agent [redacted] has recontacted General Schulgen and advised him in connection with the Director's notation. General Schulgen indicated to [redacted] that he desired to assure Mr. Hoover of complete cooperation in this matter and stated that he would issue instructions to the field directing that all cooperation be furnished to the FBI and that all discs recovered be made available for the examination by the FBI Agents. General Schulgen pointed out to [redacted] that he will from time to time make the results of the studies of his scientists available to the Bureau for the assistance of the FBI Field Offices. General Schulgen indicated to [redacted] that there has been a decrease in the reported sightings of the discs which might be because of the fact that it has lost much of its publicity value. He indicated, however, that he believed it necessary to follow this matter through to determine as near as possible if discs were in fact seen and to determine their origin. b7C

General Schulgen inquired of [redacted] the method by which the Bureau would make the information obtained from the Bureau's inquiries, known to the Air Corps, in the Field as well as at the War Department level. Mr. [redacted] pointed out to General Schulgen that the best procedure appeared to be through the regular established channels. It was pointed out to General Schulgen that the Bureau Field Offices maintain close liaison with the Intelligence Divisions of the various Armies as well as close liaison with the Intelligence Division of the War Department. General Schulgen indicated that he would be satisfied to receive information through this means. b7C

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General Schulgen indicated to [redacted] that he believed that there was a possibility that this entire matter might have been started by subversive individuals for the purpose of creating a mass hysteria. He suggested that the Bureau keep this in mind in any interviews conducted regarding reported sightings. General Schulgen stated to [redacted] that he would make available to the Bureau all information in the possession of the Air Corps regarding the sightings which were first reported so that the Bureau could conduct some investigation regarding these individuals to ascertain their motives for reporting that they had observed flying discs. When General Schulgen makes the information available regarding these individuals, it will be promptly brought to your attention. b7C

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RECOMMENDATION

There is attached a Bureau Bulletin to the Field for their assistance in handling this matter.

Attachment

July 30, 1947

[redacted]
Brooklyn 27, New York b7C

Dear [redacted]:
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I desire to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated July 14, 1947, and to express my appreciation to you for bringing this matter to my attention.

The information set forth in your letter has been carefully reviewed and is being maintained in this Bureau as a matter of record.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

NOTE: [redacted] has been a previous correspondent with the Bu file [redacted] No record could be located in the Crime Records Section indicating that the correspondent might be a mental case. b7C

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[redacted]
Brooklyn 27,N947
July [illegible]h,1947.,

:r.J.Edgar Hoover.Chief,of the F.B.I.
/ashington,D.C.

Dear Sir;
Please forgive me for taking up your time,with this item.It really :
necessary.Yot,although everybodys tongue was wagging from the East and to the
/est coast,I couldn't resist putting my oar in.

Flying Saucers in the Sky.Heading for the Milky Way.Funny?I dont know.

We read and ~~read~~ and read."Sky Disc Derby Open to All"-"Calls "Saucers"Tr:
of Vision"-"Believe it or not,27 States see those flying saucers"-"Who saw tl
Saucers?40 States in the Game"-"Celestial Dishes sought between the Raindrop:
'Find 'Disk'is weather kite"-"Disks called chunks of Mirage"-"Report new Red
Planes resemble'Flying Saucers'".-Air-liner crew reports seeing 9 flying disl
for 12 minutes".That's the way it went on,for days and days.

Please,dont remind me that this is a military problem.Soldiers fight the
emy out in the open and away from home if possible.The Federal Agents(the un
heroes)fight the ememy under cover and in their home grounds.So.Here I am.

These so-called saucers may be kites,but according to reports,these thing
didn't flutter or float,they sailed and kites don't sail,the stranges part i
they all sailed in the same direction,from West to East.

Rewards were offered,no collectors.Planes chased them,none captured.They h
o land,no finders.So.As long as the Military,Scientist and Civilians deny,be
espomsible for this.Were does it lead to?An enemy.A little while back,it wa
entioned somewhere that Russia had or has a contraption for their next war,e
tting sound(like a silent whistle for dogs)what it's to do,th their enemy,I
lon't know.If a country was experimenting such a weapon,the brave people of t
.S.were not scared.They only informed the so-called enemy how successful the
[illegible] were.

It could be an optical illusion,or;supposing some unwelcomed persons,plant
few well chosen words,here and there and left the rest to an confused mind.
These innocent people reporting the phenomena.

What confuses me is,that when we became too curious and determined to find
ut what they really are,those things disappeared and we found substitutes,ca
ites.These things resembling description as near as possible to the real thi
Why couldn't these things have been directed back home again like a homing pi

To make sport of this thing,is bad taste.It sort of reminds me of the boy
ried WOLF.When the wolf really came.Twas sad.He,was a niceboy.There should b
aw,against such jokes or experiments in the [illegible]ure.They should be cond
[illegible]announced to the proper authorities.These cu
[illegible],should be tried for treason,even;if the so-called joke seems h
ess or radicules.We can't take any chances.At this age,Time is slow.Man,is f
his POOH POOH business.is no joke.

I had in mind that the floods were responsible for these disks(mirages)the
ushing waters of the Mississippi,Missouri,Platte,Columbia and Ohio Rivers.Th
un going from East to West,plus the Catskill in the Easterly North,The Blue
idge in the East and the Rocky Mountains in the West.Refections,or whatever t
ere,went from West to East.Hence the Disks?I hope.

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Respectfully Submitted,

[redacted]

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per 4-4460

[redacted]

[redacted]

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July 20 1947

Mr J.Edgar Hoover

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Washington D.C.

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Dear Sir,.

Reading about Kenneth Arnold seeing those flyling saucers. I got a brain-storm, Maybe there is someone that is Manufacturing a contraption that could be sent up by Remote Control. and could be used against us.

Yours Truly

[redacted]

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Washington, D.C.

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : D. M. LADD

FROM : [redacted]. G. Fitch

SUBJECT: FLYING DISKS

DATE: 7/10/47

Mr. Hendon
Mr. Pennington
Mr. Quinn Tamm
Tele. Room
Miss Gandy

At request of [redacted]adier General [redacted]ge F. Schulgen, Chief of the Requirements Intelligence Branch of Army Air Corps Intelligence, Special Agent [redacted] discussed the above captioned matter with him on July 9, 1947. General Schulgen indicated to [redacted] that the Air Corps has taken the attitude that every effort must be undertaken in order to run down and ascertain whether or not the flying disks are a fact and, if so, to learn all about them. According to General Schulgen, the Air Corps Intelligence are utilizing all of their scientists in order to ascertain whether or not such a phenomenon could in fact occur. He stated that this research is being conducted with the thought that the flying objects might be a celestial phenomenon and with the view that they might be a foreign body mechanically devised and controlled. b7C

General Schulgen also indicated to [redacted] that all Air Corps installations have been alerted to run out each reported sighting to obtain all possible data to assist in this research project. In passing, General Schulgen stated that an Air Corps pilot who believed that he saw one of these objects was thoroughly interrogated by General Schulgen and scientists, as well as a psychologist, and the pilot was adamant in his claim that he saw a flying disk. b7C

General Schulgen advised [redacted] that the possibility exists that the first reported sightings of the so-called flying disks were fallacious and prompted by individuals seeking personal publicity, or were reported for political reasons. He stated that if this was so, subsequent sightings might be the result of a mass hysteria. He pointed out that the thought exists that the first reported sightings might have been by individuals of Communist sympathies with the view to causing hysteria and fear of a secret Russian weapon. b7C ?

General Schulgen indicated to [redacted] that he is desirous of having all the angles covered in this matter. He stated that reports of his scientists and findings of the various Air Corps installations will be available in his office. He advised that to complete the picture he desired the assistance of the Federal Bureau of Investigation in locating and questioning the individuals who first sighted the so-called flying disks in order to ascertain whether or not they are sincere in their statements that they saw these disks, or whether their statements were prompted by personal desire for publicity or political reasons. General Schulgen assured [redacted] that there are no War Department or Navy Department research projects presently being conducted which could in any way be tied up with the flying disks. General Schulgen indicated to [redacted] that if the Bureau would cooperate with him in this matter, he would offer all the facilities of his office as to results obtained in the effort to identify and run down this matter. b7C

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[redacted] advised General Schulgen that his request would be made known to the Bureau and an answer made available to him as soon as possible. b7C

Memorandum for Mr. Ladd

[redacted] also discussed this matter with [redacted] of [redacted] indicated that it was his attitude that inasmuch as it has been established that the flying disks are not the result of any Army or Navy experiments, the matter is of interest to the FBI. He stated that he was of the opinion that the Bureau, if at all possible, should accede to General Schulgen's request. b7C

[redacted]

SWR:AJB

ADDENDUM

I would recommend that we advise the Army that the Bureau does not believe it should go into these investigations, it being noted that a great bulk of those alleged discs reported found have been pranks. It is not believed that the Bureau would accomplish anything by going into these investigations.

DML

E.A.T.

I think we should do this
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I would do it but before agreeing to it we must insist upon full access to discs recovered. For instance in the La. case the Army grabbed it & would not let us have it for cursory examination.

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Mr. [illegible]
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Mr. Clegg
Mr. [illegible]
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
Mr. [illegible]
Mr. Gu[illegible]
Mr. Harbo
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Mr. Pennington
Mr. Quinn Tamm
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DIRECTOR ROUTINE

FLYING DISCS SIGHTED BY [redacted], TACOMA WASHINGTON, SM X. REURTEL INSTANT DATE. PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT [redacted] DID NOT ADMIT TO [redacted] THAT HIS STORY WAS A HOAX BUT ONLY STATED THAT IF QUESTIONED BY AUTHORITIES HE WAS GOING TO SAY IT WAS A HOAX BECAUSE HE DID NOT WANT ANY FURTHER TROUBLE OVER THE MATTER. COMPLETE REPORT NOW EN ROUTE TO BUREAU AMSD, WHICH INDICATES PROBABLY [redacted] MADE THE ANONYMOUS PHONE CALL IN THE HOPE OF BULDING UP THEIR STORY THROUGH PUBLICITY TO A POINT WHERE THEY COULD MAKE A PROFITABLE DEAL WITH FANTASY MAGAZINE, CHICAGO ILLINOIS. [redacted] WILL NOT BE REINTERVIEWED UNLESS ADVISED TO THE ~~CONTARXXX~~ CONTRARY BY THE BUREAU.

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(B) FLYING DISCS -- The Bureau, at the request of the Army Air Forces Intelligence, has agreed to cooperate in the investigation of flying discs. The Air Forces have confidentially advised that it is possible to release three or more discs in odd numbers, attached together by a wire, from an airplane in high altitudes and that these discs would obtain tremendous speed in their descent and would decend to the earth in an arc. The Army Air Forces Intelligence has also indicated some concern that the reported sightings might have been made by subversive individuals for the purpose [illegible] creating a mass hysteria.

7-30-47
BUREAU BULLETIN NO. 42
Series 1947

You should investigate each instance which is brought to your attention of a sighting of a flying disc in order to ascertain whether or not is is a bona fide sighting, an imaginary one or a prank. You should also bear in mind that individuals might report seeing flying discs for various reasons. It is conceivable that an individual might be desirous of seeking personal publicity, causing hysteria or playing a prank.

The Bureau should be notified immediately by teletype of all reported sightings and the results of your inquiries. In instances where the report appears to have merit, the teletype should be followed by a letter to the Bureau containing in detail the results of your inquiries. The Army Air Forces have assured the Bureau complete cooperating in these matters and in any instances where they fail to make information available to you or make the recovered discs available for your examination, it should promptly be brought to the attention of the Bureau.

Any information you develop in connection with these discs should be promptly brought to the attention of the Army through your usual liaison channels.

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July 10, 1947

[redacted] b7c
Darlington, South Carolina

Dear [redacted] b7c

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your Western Union telegram dated July 6, 1947. Your interest in bringing this information to my attention is greatly appreciated.

Inasmuch as the contents of your telegram appear to be of interest to the War Department only, I have taken the liberty of turning this information over to that Department.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

cc - Savannah
NOTE: The telegram referred to "flying discs."

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AUG 1947

July 10, 1947

[redacted] b7c
San Marcos, Texas

Dear [redacted] b7c

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your Western Union telegram dated July 7, 1947. Your interest in making this information available to me is greatly appreciated.

Inasmuch as the contents of your telegram appear to be of interest to the War Department only, I have taken the liberty of making the information furnished by you available to that Department.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

cc - San Antonio
NOTE: The telegram referred to "flying discs."

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July 23, 1947

[redacted] b7c
Westport, Connecticut

Dear [redacted] b7c

Your letter dated July 17, 1947, together with enclosures, has been received and I want to thank you for submitting the letter you mentioned to me.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Miss Gandy

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover,
[redacted]
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

The enclosed came to my husband yesterday. After reading it aloud to the family, as a good example of crack-pot-ism, advertising or what have you, he threw it into the wastebasket. I retrieved it, thinking it might better go into your wastebasket than ours, examined by your department en route thither, as of possible value. I presume several thousand have been mailed, and you may reveive numberless duplicates. I will risk that. [redacted] as an economist at Columbia University receives many strange missives. This is as strange a one as has come for some time, and very appropriate to the present moment.

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Sincerely yours, [redacted]

b7C

[redacted]

July 17, 1947
Home address: [redacted] Westport, Conn.

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July 11, 1947.

Dear Sir:

Have you seen one of the mysterious "Saucers"?

What did it look like?

Do you think these strange, celestial manifestations are harbingers of a better day?

Do you believe it means that a new and revolutionary advance is coming?

Will it make your life brighter, happier, more useful?

We believe one of these startling discs is on its way to you. Then the secret will be out.

The Combined and Amalgamated Committee
of Sky-Scanners, Disc Decipherers and
New-Product Introducers.

ENCLOSURE

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WASHINGTON FROM BOSTON 3 18 10-532 [redacted] [redacted]

DIRECTOR Flying discs

METAL FRAGMENTS OBSERVED AT WEST RINDGE, N.H., JULY SEVEN, FORTYSEVEN, SECURITY MATTER-X. [redacted], SECURITY OFFICER, M.I.T., CAMBRIDGE, MASS., ADVISED THAT TODAY HE WAS IN CONTACT WITH ONE [redacted] [redacted] OF WEST RINDGE, N.H., A RETIRED [redacted] OF THE NE ENGLAND TEL. AND TEL. CO. [redacted] ADVISED THAT AT APPROXIMATEY THREE PM ON JULY SEVEN LAST SEVERAL PEOPLE SITTING ON A PORCH OBSERVED ON TH LAWN OF [redacted] ROUTE [redacted] WEST RINDGE, N.H., LITTLE CU OF SMOKE, WHICH ON INSPECTION DISCLOSED SMALL BURNED SPOTS ABOUT O AND ONE HALF INCHES IN DIAMATER ON THE GREEN LAWN. ALSO IN THE LONG D GRASS ON BOTH SIDES OF ROAD IN A CIRCLE APPROXIMATELY TWO HUNDRED FEET IN DIAMETER SEVERAL LITTLE BLAZES HAD STARTED AND THE FIRE DEPT. WAS CALLED. FIRES WERE APPARENTLY CAUSED BY METALLIC FRAGMENTATIO WHICH WERE TURNED OVER TO [redacted] OF MIT, BY A [redacted] [redacted], OF THE TELEPHONE COMPANY. [redacted] HAS ADVISED [redacted] THAT THEIR GENERAL APPEARANCE ARE SIMILAR TO THE LINING OF V DASH TWO BOMBS, WHICH HE HAD OBSERVED AT NEW MEXICO. PROFESSOR [redacted] AN OUTSTANDING METALLURGIST AT MIT, STATED THAT THEY ARE POSSIBLY THE LINING FROM A JET TURBO PLANE. AT PRESENT TIME HE IS IN PROCESS OF ANALYZING TWO OF THESE PIECES. THESE SCIENTISTS IN ROUGHLY RECONSTRUCTING THE METALLIC OBJECT STATE IT WAS APPROXIMATELY FOURTEEN INCHES IN DIAMETER, THREE

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SIXTEENTHS OF AN INCH THICK, AND MACHINE TOOLED, AND SOME FRAGMENTS INDICATED THEY WERE BURNED AND [redacted] APPEARED TO HAVE BEEN SUBJECTED TO TERRIFIC HEAT. THESE SCIENTISTS ARE TREATING THIS MATTER AS CLASSIFIED INFORMATION. MR. [redacted] [redacted] AT WEST RINDGE, N.H. IS ALSO ENDEAVORING TO COLLECT ADDITIONAL FRAGMENTS AND HAS STATED THAT THE FIRE CHIEF AT WEST RINDGE HAS ALSO SEVERAL FRAGMENTS IN HIS POSSESSION. [redacted] INDICATED THAT THE [redacted]ESIDENCE IS SEVEN TO EIGHT HUNDRED FEET EAST OF THE RAILROAD TRACKS. [redacted] STATED HE WILL MAKE THE RESULTS OF M I T RESEARCH AVAILABLE IF SIGNIFICANT. OPINIONS OF SCIENTISTS AS SET FORTH ABOVE SUGGEST POSSBLE MILITARY INTEREST. MILITARY AUTHORITIES AT BOSTON HAVE NOT BEEN NOTIFIED.

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Info to attention Lam S C Jackson MID 8/11/47

cc - Mr. Ladd

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, NEW HAVEN

DATE: July 18, 1947

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[redacted]

SUBJECT: "FLYING SAUCERS"
EDWIN M. BAILEY, JR.
STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT, INFORMANT
ATOMIC ENERGY ACT

For the information of the Bureau this is to advise that on July 7, 1947, [redacted] Stamford, Connecticut, appeared at the Stamford Resident Agent's office and furnished the following information:- b7c

[redacted] prefaced his remarks by stating that he is a scientist by occupation and is currently employed at the American Cyanamid Research Laboratories on West Main Street in Stamford, Connecticut, in the Physics Division. [redacted] further indicated that during the war he was employed at MIT, Cambridge, Massachusetts, in the Radiation Laboratory which Laboratory is connected with the Manhattan Project. [redacted] advised that he is thirty years of age and is a graduate of the University of Arizona. b7c

[redacted] stated that the topic of "flying saucers" had caused considerable comment and concern to the present day scientists and indicated that he himself had a personal theory concerning the "flying saucers". Prior to advancing his own theory, [redacted] remarked that immediately after the conclusion of World War II, a friend of his, [redacted] allegedly observed the "flying saucers" from an observatory in Milan and Bologna, Italy. He stated that apparently at that time the "flying saucers" had caused a little comment in Italy but that after some little publicity they immediately died out as public interest. [redacted] stated that it is quite possible that actually the "flying saucers" could be radio controlled germ bombs or atom bombs which are circling the orbit of the earth and which could be controlled by radio and directed to land on any designated target at the specific desire of the agency or country operating the bombs. He stated that one of the items of interest which he personally has observed is the fact that the saucers have been observed in Mexico City, New Orleans, Philadelphia, New York, Boston, Halifax, Newfoundland, Paris, Milan, Bologna and Yugoslavia as well as Albania. By placing a string around the globe of the earth it b7c

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would be noticed that all of the above-mentioned cities form a direct orbit or circle around the earth and would be more or less in line of any path in which the saucers could be circling.

[redacted] further stated that he had recently talked with [redacted], one of the owners of [redacted] in Glenbrook, Connecticut, and had been informed by [redacted] that his company is making a large powerful telescope to be used in searching the stratosphere for atom bombs.

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Miss Gandy

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DIRECTOR URGENT

RE FLYING DISKS. MRS. [redacted]

b7C [redacted], SEATTLE, REPORTED FLYING DISK HAD LANDED ON [redacted] ABOUT NINE FORTY TWO PM LAST NIGHT, THAT IT WAS BURNING AT [illegible] IMMEDIATELY EXTINGUISHED. SHE ALSO ADVISED ONI, AND DISK FELL SHORT DISTANCE FROM THEIR OFFICES. AGENTS IMMEDIATELY DISPATCHED TO SCENE AND RECOVERED DISK TAKEN ONI OFFICES AND EXAMINED BY NAVY [illegible] AND ELECTRONICS EXPERTS AND AGENTS. DISK DESCRIBED AS ABOUT TWENTY EIGHT INCH CIRCULAR PIECE THREE SIXTEENTH INCH PLYWOOD CUPPED UP ON TWO SIDES AND HELD THIS POSITION BY WIRE ACROSS ITS CENTE DISK NEWLY PAINTED LIGHT GRAY OUTSIDE AND RED INSIDE, AND INSIDE OF DIS [illegible] PRINTED LETTERS IN WHITE PAINT AS FOLLOWS QUOTE U S S R UNQUOTE, ALSO QUOTE E Y R UNQUOTE, WHICH WOULD APPEAR TO BE RYE PRINTED BACKWAR AND A HAMMER AND SICKLE. MOUNTED ON PIECES OF BAKELITE IN THE CENTER OF THE INSIDE OF THE DISK WERE TWO RADIO TUBES, WHICH WERE WIRED UP AND ALSO SO MOUNTED WAS ABOUT A QUART TYPE CYLINDRICAL SHAPED OIL CAN TO WHICH WAS FITTED A SHORT PIECE OF RUBBER TUBING RUNNING FROM CAN TO ENTRANCE TO A PIECE OF ONE INCH PIPE ABOUT FOURTEEN INCHES LONG. THE PIPE EXTENDED THROUGH THE DISK AND AT THE OUTER END OF THE PIPE WAS ABOUT A SIX INCH PIECE OF CLOTH, WHICH WAS WOUND ABOUT AND STUCK INTO THE END OF THE PIPE. THE ENDS OF THIS CLOTH WERE CHARRED FROM BURNING. THE CLOTH WAS SATURATED WITH SOME SUBSTANCE

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cc: Mr. Ladd

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BELIEVED TO BE TURPENTINE. CONSENSUS OF ALL PRESENT PRESENT THAT DISK COULD NOT FLY. DISK PRESENTLY IN POSSESSION OF ONI SEATTLE AND NO INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED. NO PUBLICITY THUS FAR AND NO COMMENT BEING MADE IN EVENT PRESS INQUIRIES ARE RECEIVED.

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Info brought to attention
of Lt S.C. Jackson MID
7/10/47

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: July 3, 1947

FROM : SAC, Butte

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS

b7c [redacted]

Mr. [redacted], of the Idaho Daily Statesman, Boise, Idaho, telephonically contacted the Butte Office and asked if the FBI was checking on the flying discs reported to have been seen by many citizens. He advised that so many had reported having seen them that it undoubtedly was not a figment of the imagination. He said that these discs had been seen on July 1, 1947, in the vicinity of Trail Creek near Sun Valley, Idaho, by reputable citizens. b7c

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The writer informed [redacted] that this office was not making an investigation and inquired as to whether he had contacted Army and Navy officials. He said that he was inquiring of these agencies. b7c

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: July 17, 1947

FROM : SAC, Los Angeles

SUBJECT: RECOVERY OF "FLYING DISC",
NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA,
JULY 9, 1947

[redacted]

On the evening of July 9, 1947, a report was received at the Los Angeles Office that a so-called "flying disc" had landed in the vicinity of Radford and Magnolia Streets in North Hollywood, California, the contraption being briefly described as approximately 30 inches in diameter, all metal, disc shaped, and having a radio antenna. It was reported to have burst into flames upon landing. At the time of the report the disc was being held at the Valley Fire Department in Van Nuys, California.

SA [redacted] went to the fire department immediately at which time it was found that a number of people had gathered including newspaper reporters and photographers who were taking pictures of the disc. Battalion Fire Chief [redacted] advised Agent that at approximately 10:30 P.M., an unknown woman called on the telephone and excitedly reported that the disc had dropped into her garden where it began to flame, her residence being located at 11858 Magnolia Boulevard, North Hollywood. A fire department truck was sent there and put out the flaming object with the fire hose, after which the object was taken to the fire station. SA [redacted] thereafter arranged to transport the disc to the office.

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The device is briefly described as consisting of two convex steel discs approximately 2 feet in diameter, fused together at the outer edge and fastened together in the center by a hollow cylindrical connection. A vertical galvanized iron fin was screwed to the top of the disc, and a short length of pipe closed at one end ran from the outer circumference into the interior of the contraption. What appeared to be a radio tube was installed in the center of the top side. The contraption had a total weight of approximately 20 pounds.

At the Bureau Office a series of photographs were taken of the device from various positions, and a set of these photographs are being forwarded herewith for the Bureau's inspection and information.

The "flying disc" was thereafter turned over to Major [redacted] [redacted] A.C., G-2, Fort MacArthur, San Pedro, California, who subsequently reported that the object was definitely a hoax and under no circumstances could have flown under its own power.

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Director, FBI   July 17, 1947

Re: RECOVERY OF "FLYING DISC",
NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA,
JULY 9, 1947

On the following day, July 10, 1947, one [redacted], North Hollywood, reported that on this morning he was at the North Hollywood Service Station eating at which time there was considerable talk about the flying disc having been found in the vicinity. A number of what appeared to be young high school students were present and were having quite a laugh about the excitement caused by the finding of the disc. [redacted] stated that he received a definite impression that these young students either had themselves or knew of someone who had been working for the past two weeks making this "flying disc". [redacted] was unable to furnish the names of any of these young men but identified one of them who was making the statements as being employed in a Chevron Service Station at the corner of Victory Boulevard and Whitsett Street. He described the youngster as about sixteen years of age.

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The above information was also furnished to the G-2 Office at San Pedro, California.

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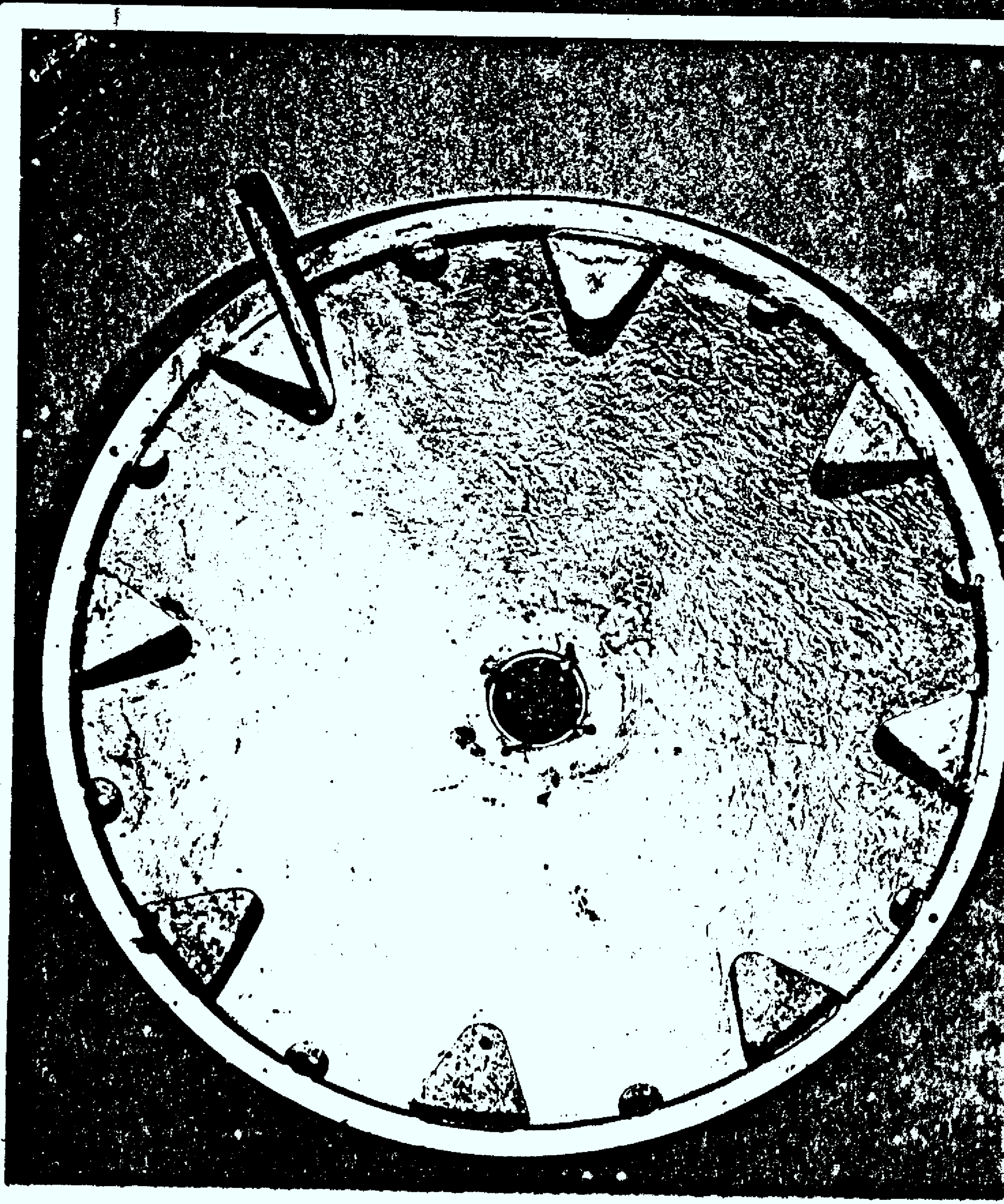

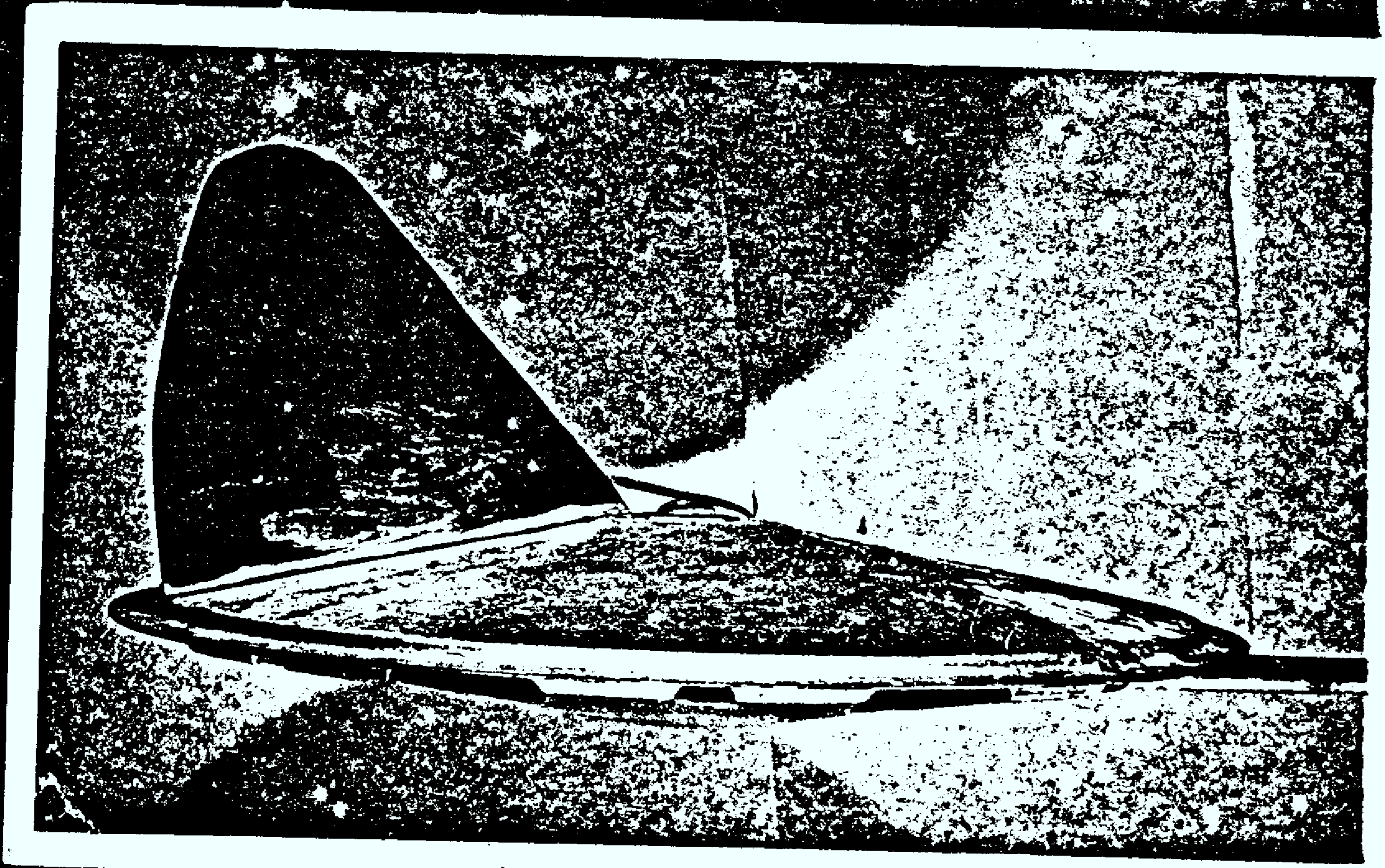

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. LADD

FROM : [redacted] b7c

SUBJECT: ~~FLYING SAUCERS~~ (DISCS)
INFORMATION CONCERNING

[redacted] b7c

DATE: July 10, 1947

Mr. Tolson
Mr. E. A. Tamm
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Carson
Mr. Egan
Mr. Gurnea
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Hendon
Mr. Pennington
Mr. Quinn Tamm
Tele. Room
Gandy

At 5:45 AM this date, SAC Hood telephonically contacted the [redacted] Bureau and advised at approximately 11:30 PM, July 9, 1947, the office in Los Angeles had received information from the Resident Agent at Burbank, California, that a "flying disc" had landed in or near Burbank and had been seen to burst into flame when it landed. Further, that it had been the cause of a fire in some woods, this fire either in Burbank or possibly in the city limits of Los Angeles, which Mr. Hood could not be certain. The fire chief at Burbank had called the resident agent at Burbank and told him he would hold the disc for him. [redacted] b7c

Coincident with the information received from Burbank, the Los Angeles Office received calls from the newspapers requesting information. The newspapers stating they had called the Army Air Force Intelligence who had stated "we are not interested". According to Mr. Hood, this comment had aroused the newspapers and they stated they intended to publish this quotation and belabor same in their first issues. Mr. Hood stated that he had refrained from making any statement to the press other than to admit possession of an object and that it was being turned over to military authorities in the morning (this AM), it being Mr. Hood's opinion that he did not want any quotes in the press and certainly not one to the effect that we were not interested.

As described to him, Mr. Hood stated that the object was an aluminum disc about 2' in diameter weighing about ten pounds, painted with aluminum paint and having some sort of a radio tube in the center of the disc. This object was in possession of the resident agent at Burbank and would be turned over to military authorities (G-2) in Los Angeles this morning.

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Mr. Hood's purpose in calling was to place the Bureau on notice regarding the above described object and any further information would be transmitted to the Bureau at once.

Action: None indicated.

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Dear [redacted] b7C

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I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter postmarked July 7, 1947. The information contained therein has been carefully reviewed and is being made a matter of permanent record in the files of this Bureau. Your interest in writing as you did is indeed appreciated.

In the future should you have information which you feel might be of interest to this Bureau you might find it convenient to contact the Special Agent in Charge of our Chicago Office, which is located at 1900 Bankers' Building, Chicago 3, Illinois.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

cc - Chicago (With incoming. There is no identifiable information in the Bureau's files concerning the writer of this letter. Despite the fact that this letter refers to "flying discs", it is not believed that the information furnished is sufficiently important to refer to Army authorities.)

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COMMUNICATIONS SECTION
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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Wash. D.C.

Doesn't it seem wisest for you to forbid papers - (No not forbid - but ask the co-operation of all papers) to keep all news of those discs out of the news until you are sure just what they are & where from.

Seems to us with all the enemies we have, even within our borders, it could be something far more important than may seem at first. I had 2 sons in this war & another who over-did for his America - & we do want it really protected ~~from~~ danger from now on. Enough are dead & maimed - with-out losing out now as it easily could be. Why have the papers carried that story if reporters were made to see how much more sensible not to report - it except to the F.B.I.

There is too much of danger ahead anyway --

Hastily

/s/ [redacted] b7c
Chicago -

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Mr J. Edgar Hoover c/o [illegible]
Wash. D.C.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : D. M. Ladd

FROM : [redacted] b7C

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS

DATE: July 11, 1947

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Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Carson
Mr. Egan
Mr. Gurnea
Mr. Harbo
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Miss Holmes
Miss Gandy

[redacted]

SAC Bannister of the Butte Office called at noon today and stated that a [redacted] Twin Falls, Idaho, at 2:45 a.m. Mountain Time today heard a noise in the back of her home. She thought a collision had occurred and investigated and found in the back yard of the home next door an object described as follows:

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A disc 30½" in diameter, circular in shape, it is dished like a saucer and actually there is a saucer within a saucer in the manner of cymbals. On one surface there is attached a plastic dome described as about 14" in diamter and affixed by 8 bolts in a rather rough manner. The bolts can best be described as similar to stove bolts. On the other surface is another dome of metal which is gold in color on one side and on the inside is silver in color, which looks like tin. Through the plastic dome can be observed three tubes similar to radio tubes and there is some wiring. The disc generally is 10" thick and at the point where the domes are located about 14" in thickness. There is an object on it similar to electric coil which has some type of an arm on it and bears the words "Inspected TS". Some of the wiring has been burned off and it looks as though something might be missing.

[redacted] stated that if this were the work of some prankster he went to quite a bit of trouble. He stated the press is aware of this incident. He stated that the disc had been picked up and was now at the Police Department, Twin Falls, Idaho. He was instructed to notify the local Army authorities of the existence of this disc.

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Dear [redacted] b7C

Your letter dated July 6, 1947, has been received and I do want to thank you for making this information available to me. Your interest is appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Asbury Park, New Jersey

7/6/47

Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C.

Gentlemen:

For your information & for what ever value it may be I should like to report seeing one of these "Flying Discs" on July 4. It appeared to have started from the dance hall here at Asbury Park & momentarily I thought it was a balloon but it went in a definite direction at an apparently constant speed & gradually ascending following a path similar to the trajectory of a bullet but more pronounced. It disappeared in the distance going north along the shore line. The Glenn Miller & Tex Beneke [illegible] presently at the dance hall.

I hope this may be of some help to you.

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Yours very truly b7C

[redacted]

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FBI NEW ORLEANS 7-7-47 5-02 PM [redacted] CGD

DIRECTOR FBI VERY URGENT

FLYING DISCS, MISCELLANEOUS. [redacted]

[redacted] SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA ADVISES HE OBSERVED A CIRCULAR DISC AT SIX FIVE PM THIS DATE COMING FROM NW DIRECTION. DISC LANDED IN FIFTEEN HUNDRED BLOCK OF TEXAS AVENUE. [redacted] PICKED UP DISC AT FIFTEEN FIFTY FOUR TEXAS AVENUE. DISC WHIRLING WHEN SEEN IN AIR AND FIRE SUCH SPOUTING FROM SIDES. FIRE WENT OUT ON LANDING AND SMOKE ISSUED FEW SECONDS AFTER FIRE WENT OUT. DISC PICKED UP AND NOT HOT. [redacted] NOTIFIED G-2 BARKSDALE IMMEDIATELY AND THEY TOOK DISC BEFORE SA ARRIVED. DISC DESCRIPTION-- THIN ALUMINUM DISC SIXTEEN INCHES IN DIAMETER. HAS SMALL COILS TWO INCHES IN DIAMETER AND FOUR INCHES LONG AT THE ENDS OF THE DIAMETER. COILS CONNECTED BY TWO COPPER WIRES TO TWO TERMINALS ON EACH COIL AND THESE WIRES ARE CONNECTED AT THE CROSSING IN THE CENTER OF THE DISC TO AN OBJECT ONE INCH IN DIAMETER BY TWO INCHES LONG, SIMILIAR TO STARTER ON FLOURESCENT LIGHT. CENTER OBJECT HAS ON UPPER END -

[redacted] --MADE IN USA--MADE SOUND LIKE A POLICEMAN-S WHISTLE AND SMOOTH SIDE TOWARD EARTH IN FLIGHT. BARKSDALE FIELD AGREED IF NOT WANTED WOULD TURN OVER TO FBI IF WE WANT IT SUBJECT TO SUPERIOR INSTRUCTIONS. NAMES OF ALL PERSON WHO HANDLED DISC BEFORE ARRIVAL OF AGENT SECURED. [redacted] [redacted] BARKSDALE FIELD MAKING PHOTOS. WILL SECURE AND FORWARD PHOTOS TO BUREAU.

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cc Mr. Ladd b7c

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FBI DALLAS 7-8-47 6-17 PM

~~DIRECTOR AND~~ SAC, CINCINNATI URGENT

FLYING DISC, INFORMATION CONCERNING. [redacted] HEADQUARTERS EIGHTH AIR FORCE, TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED THIS OFFICE THAT AN OBJECT PURPORTING TO BE A FLYING DISC WAS RE COVERED NEAR ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO, THIS DATE. THE DISC IS HEXAGONAL IN SHAPE AND WAS SUSPENDED FROM A BALLON BY CABLE, WHICH BALLON WAS APPROXIMATELY TWENTY FEET IN DIAMETER. [redacted] FURTHER ADVISED THAT THE OBJECT FOUND RESEMBLES A HIGH ALTITUDE WEATHER BALLOON WITH A RADAR REFLECTOR, BUT THAT TELEPHONIC CONVERSATION BETWEEN THEIR OFFICE AND WRIGHT FIELD HAD NOT BORNE OUT THIS BELIEF. DISC AND BALLOON BEING TRANSPORTED TO WRIGHT FIELD BY SPECIAL PLANE FOR EXAMINAT INFORMATION PROVIDED THIS OFFICE BECAUSE OF NATIONAL INTEREST IN CASE . AND FACT THAT NATIONAL BROADCASTING COMPANY, ASSOCIATED PRESS, AND OTHERS ATTEMPTING TO BREAK STORY OF LOCATION OF DISC TODAY. [redacted] [redacted] ADVISED WOULD REQUEST WRIGHT FIELD TO ADVISE CINCINNATI OFFICE RESULTS OF EXAMINATION. NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED.

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cc: Mr. [illegible]

[redacted]

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. LADD
FROM : [redacted] b7c
SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS

DATE: July 12, 1947

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Mr. E. A. Tamm
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen [redacted]
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Carson
Mr. Egan
Mr. Gurnea
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Mendon
Mr. Pennington
Mr. Quinn Tamm
Tele. Room
Mr. Nease
Miss Holmes
Miss Gandy
[redacted]

Reference is made to [redacted] memorandum to you dated July 11, in the above-captioned matter. b7c

At 11:55 P.M., July 11, I took a phone call from [redacted] of the Laurel, Maryland, Police Department. Sergeant [redacted] said that he had examined the "flying disc." He said that it had been made from a Gulf Oil sign and the top of a garbage can and had been painted with aluminum paint. It had been recently painted because the paint was still wet. Attached to it were a dry cell battery, a flashlight bulb, some wires and a buzzer. He asked if the Bureau was sending anyone out to look at it. I told him that we were not, that we had referred the matter to the Army, and suggested that he call them. b7c

I subsequently telephoned Captain [redacted] the Duty Officer at G-2, and passed on to him the information furnished by Sergeant Lonis. b7c

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. E. A. TAMM

FROM : D. M. LADD

SUBJECT:

DATE: July 11, 1947

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SAC Johnson of the Milwaukee Office called to advise he had just received a telephone call from Colonel [redacted] Reserve Officer with the Civilian Air Patrol, Black River Falls, Wisconsin. Colonel [redacted] reported that at 3:30 p.m., July 10, one [redacted] at Black River Falls, Wisconsin, had found a large 17" disc which appeared to have been possibly made out of cardboard painted with silver airplane dope. In the center was a tube and a small motor with a propellor attached to the side. Colonel [redacted] expressed the opinion that this disc would not be able to fly by itself. He advised it would be taken to the Air Corps Headquarters. Colonel [redacted] advised, however, that [redacted] did not want to release the disc without FBI approval.

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I instructed Mr. Johnson to advise the Air Corps officer to get in touch with Colonel [redacted] and tell him he saw no reason for the Bureau to attempt to secure the release of the material since it was not in our custody and we had no control. He stated the press was also calling concerning this matter. I instructed him to make no comment to the press.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : [redacted]

FROM : [redacted] b7c

SUBJECT: Flying Disc

DATE: July 11, 1947

Mr. Tolson
Mr. E. A. Tamm
Mr. Clegg
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Mr. Ni [redacted]
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At 10:45 PM on the evening of July 11, 1947, Clerk [redacted] of the Washington Field Office called and stated that at the instbuction Mr. Hennrich ~~he wanted~~ to pass on to the Bureau information he had just received from one [redacted] Laurel, Maryland, to the effect that a "flying disc" had just landed in [redacted] yard "and the machinery is still buzzing." [redacted] stated [redacted] was apparently so excited he had a difficult time even getting his name out, and no further detail could be obtained from him.

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At 10:50 PM I passed the above information on to [redacted] duty offic at G-2 who indicated he had also received the same data from another source, and would pass our information along to appropriate army quarters.

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[redacted] of the AP called at about 10:55 PM and asked whether the Bureau had received any report on a "flying disc" in Laurel Maryland. After checking with Mr. Nichols I told him we had received such a report and had passed it on to army authorities.

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PHONE 636 BOOTH PH[illegible] 914 LOCATED IN BU[illegible] DISTRICT

HOTEL WOODSTOCK
WOODSTOCK, ILLINOIS

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ANONYMOUS COMMUNICATIONS KEEP [illegible] BE ATTACHED

Dear Mr Hoover: Flying Saucers

In todays paper I see more news concerning the flying saucers— Now those are without a doubt from Russia See they are likely checking how completely they can cover the U.S. in 1 shot.— I feel it is wrong for us to report areas in which they are seen.

In traveling I sat by a spiritualist & wasent sure what she was— I talked to obtain much information as I could— I became interested when she said— Russia has a poison which she will place in an atom bomb that will destroy not one city but dozens of cities— so when I read of the flying saucers I wonder if Russia hasn't perfected a device where it might destroy our whole country in one shot— See the flying saucers were reported in Mich. La. New Orleans. These were let disappear and to determine what area they cover— We are foolish to give

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them: for information –

Now this woman may only be guessing but it should not be passed up – The name she gave me –

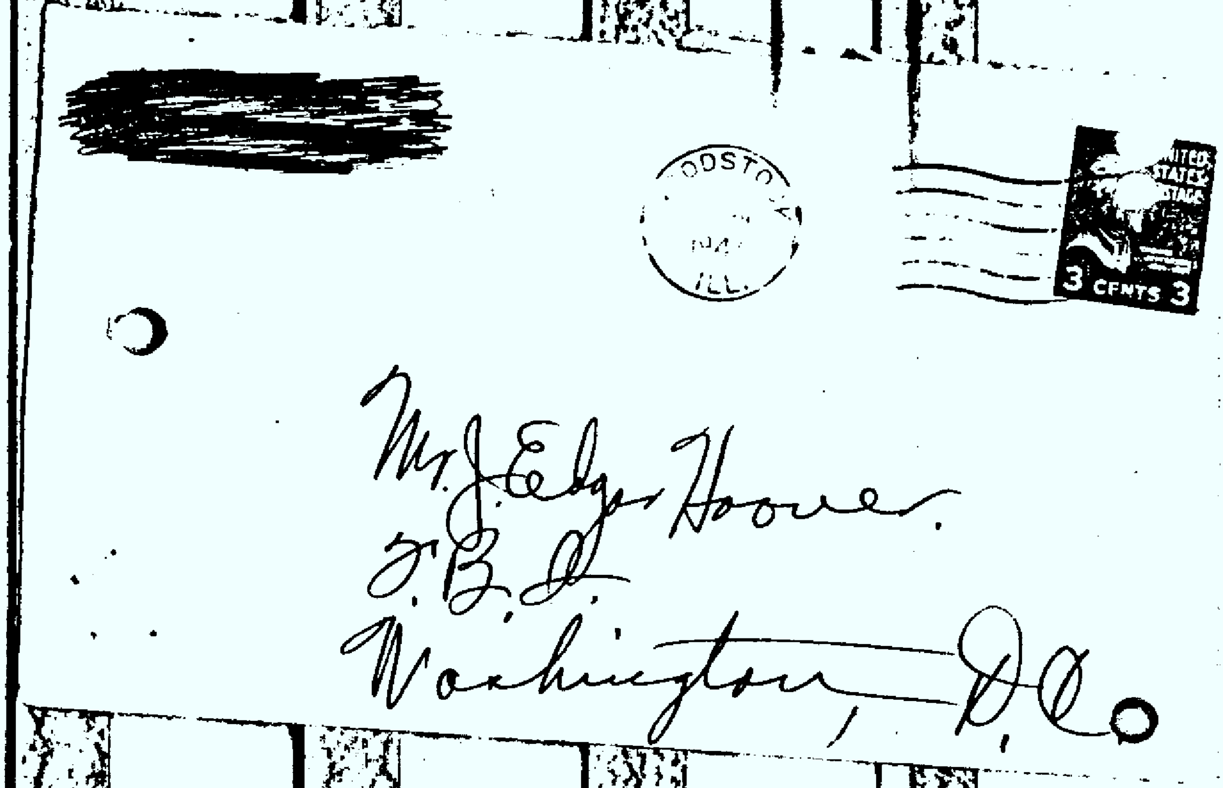
[redacted] [redacted]
(Milwaukee, Wis. W. [redacted]) b7C

Why do we wait till we are destroyed or nearly so before we act –

If we aren't ready in 3 seconds the next war will end all – I seem to see it all clearly in these latest event –

Let our war dept. take notice – Its no time to sleep – We should secretly draft men – have all our guns set for a moments notice – We must be ready. But can we afford to wait if Russia plans destroying us in one shot? Why not let them have it and have it in big doses first – Thats the only way I can see us coming out of it at all –

Sincerely



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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover.
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Washington, D.C.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
DATE: July 8, 1947

FROM : SAC, MILWAUKEE [redacted]

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS OR SAUCERS
MISCELLANEOUS
TELEPHONE CALL FROM MR. FLETCHER
AT THE BUREAU AT 8:30 AM, 7/7/47

ATTENTION: [redacted]

b7C

[redacted]

Attached are newspaper clippings from the Milwaukee Sentinel and Milwaukee Journal of July 7, 1947.

For the Bureau's information, United Press and Associated Press telephoned me at my residence about three or four times between 1:00 A.M. and 2:30 A.M., July 7, 1947. The United Press representative informed me that Father JOSEPH BRASKY had stated on interview by a Milwaukee Sentinel reporter, one BILL WEEKS, (Phonetic) that he, Father BRASKY, was going to call the FBI concerning the contraption, which apparently was identical with one of the flying discs recently publicized throughout the country. The United Press representative desired to know if we had any statement to make on the matter. I informed him that I had no official comment, other than "No Comment."

Since I have contacted the United Press representative on various occasions, I asked him what the actual details were, and he stated he did not know except that the interview of the priest reflected that a circular saw had been found with some devices attached to it.

The Associated Press called me shortly after the United Press representative did, and on being advised that I had no comment to make concerning the story, I asked the Associated Press representative what the actual facts were, and he informed me that as far as the Associated Press was concerned, the facts were that a circular saw had been found and a story had been obtained from a priest who had been drinking quite heavily. The Associated Press representative informed me that apparently the United Press desired to get a statement from me denying or affirming that the FBI was investigating the matter. I informed the Associated Press representative that apparently someone was suffering under a misinterpretation of any comment I had made, and possibly some reporter was in an embarrassing position if a story had gone out over the wire services.

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I then telephoned the United Press representative, who apparently in the meantime had been called by the Associated Press in an effort to straighten out the United Press. No reference was made to the FBI in the Milwaukee Sentinel article appearing July 7, 1947, but the Milwaukee Journal article, which is attached, referred to an alleged statement by Father BRASKY that he attempted to get in touch with an FBI Agent whom he knows. Father BRASKY has never contacted the Milwaukee FBI Office or any Agent concerning his find. In my opinion, this is just another hoax story, since a photograph of Father BRASKY with the saw indicates no basis for any investigation by any authority.

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'Saucer' Stories Disk Found Is

Priest Hears a 'Bang,' Discovers a Circular Blade With Teeth; Other Disks 'Seen'

Picture on Picture Page

The "what is it?" which Father Joseph Brasky said he found early Sunday on the lawn of St. Joseph's Catholic church in Grafton may be just another gadget to add to Father Brasky's already sizable collection.

Those who saw it Sunday said "what is it?" was a circular saw blade with a few wires attached. Father Brasky, who said he knew of no sawmills in the area, would not claim it was a "flying saucer" when he called newspapermen to his home.

"It may or may not be one of those flying disks that have been reported all over the country," he said. "Let's just call it a 'what is it?'"

Meanwhile, in Milwaukee and other points in Wisconsin, several persons reported seeing the "flying saucers." Father Brasky's disk, however, was the only case here in which the "landing" of a "saucer" was reported.

Hears "Bang," Finds Disk

Father Brasky gave the following account of how he found the object, a steel plate 19 inches in diameter, about an eighth of an inch thick and with saw teeth.

"I usually get up about 5 a.m. on Sundays. I was at the front door of my house, about to take my dog out for a walk, when I heard a 'bang!' like a big firecracker. I stepped outside and found this disk on the church lawn.

"Although the grass was still wet from the night rain, the disk was too hot to pick up. I noticed the glass ball had been knocked off one of the lightning rods on the church, so I suppose it struck that in landing."

Tries to Call FBI Man

Father Brasky said he did not bother to show the disk to any of his parishioners Sunday. He tried to telephone an FBI agent whom he knows, but was unable to reach him Sunday, he added. Asked whether it could have been the work of a practical joker, Father Brasky replied: "Could be. I don't know."

The disk, apparently of steel, had a one and three-eighth inch hole in the center. Through it ran a few wires. To each end of the cluster of wires was attached what looked like a small condenser about three inches long. The condenserlike objects were wrapped in black tape which still was sticky. The disk was greasy and somewhat dirty. Stamped on it was: "Approved, Dunlap."

Father Brasky declined to part with the disk. He showed a number of items in his trinket collection. All of them had something to do with fishing, Father Brasky's favorite sport. They included his "bass bottles," beer bottles with the head of a fish—and a fish pole from Manila which folds up into a cane. When opened, it extends to 12 feet.

"I use it in reaching folks who can't be touched with a 10 foot pole," Father Brasky quipped.

Others Report "Saucers"

Father Brasky also passed out copies of his recent publication, "Fish Tales."

"I'm going to revise this thing," he explained. "I've got some new and better tales to put in it."

There were other reports around Milwaukee and Wisconsin of "flying saucers." Mrs. Anthony Hoffman, 3410 W. Layton av., said she and her husband saw one at 8:25 p.m. Sunday flying toward Billy Mitchell field from the northwest. When it neared the field, it veered toward ~~the south~~ and disappeared, she said. It was flying high and appeared illuminated, according to Mrs. Hoffman.

"It looked like a small meat platter," Mrs. Hoffman asserted.

Glenn Rowden of Detroit claimed he saw a "saucer," about 50 inches in diameter, over Billy Mitchell field at 10:05 p.m. when he alighted from an airplane. He said it was in sight for 90 seconds.

William Humphrey, who lives with his wife in a quonset hut at 3148 S. 20th st., telephoned police at 9 p.m. Sunday that he ~~said Mrs.~~ Humphrey had seen a slightly illuminated disk which appeared to fall to earth near Pulaski high school. Mrs. Humphrey said Monday that her husband tried unsuccessfully to photograph the disk.

Changed Colors, He Says

Erwin Rottman, 1328 N. 19th st., claimed he saw three of them flying through the air in a northwesterly direction at 6 p.m. Sunday. They turned from orange to gold to silver before disappearing, he said.

Reports came also from Janesville, where Mr. and Mrs. Alva Sievert and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Roth reported seeing a flying disk about 11:35 p.m. Saturday. The Roths were leaving the Sievert home when Sievert saw it, according to Roth. It appeared to be several thousand feet up and about 10 miles away, Roth said. He described it as vaguely resembling the moon and as having a regular motion in a counterclockwise, elongated orbit. It appeared to Roth to be moving faster than an airplane. He said it was yellow on its face, but when it turned it looked silver.

Roth said that the four of them viewed the disk for 10 minutes.

Stopped in Sky, Claim

"It fluttered around, faded out and came back again, and once it just stopped and hung there for about two minutes," Roth said. "The last time we saw it, it had a very

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'Saucer' Tales Buzz in State

Disk Found by a Priest Is Circular Saw; Others Seen by Milwaukeeans

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noticeable tail. When it disappeared entirely, it just popped *out*."

Janesville police reported a telephone call from a Dick Thompson, who said he saw flying disks about 12:15 a.m. Sunday.

At Oshkosh, Mrs. L. A. Davis reported that she and her husband had sighted one of the mysterious disks whizzing over the city at 6:45 *p.m.* Sunday.

She said they were driving on a town road six miles west of Oshkosh, headed east toward the city, when they first sighted the object "flying very *fast* and *very high*."

At first, she said, it looked like an airplane and then loomed larger and larger until it "appeared as big as the sun."

Stops Car, Disk Vanishes

Her husband stopped *the* car *so* that they could get a better look at the disk, which appeared round and silvery, but by the time they got out of the car the object had disappeared, *she* said.

At Green Bay, Eugene Le Plant reported that he and his 12 year old son, Duane, had seen a rapidly moving silver ball or disk about 6:30 p.m. Wednesday while working in his garden on the western edge of the city. Le Plant said he saw the object silhouetted against a dark cloud to the north and that he and his son watched it for three or four minutes while it moved away to the northwest. Le Plant said he could not estimate the altitude or distance, but that it "definitely was not an airplane."

Laws of Eyesight Clarify Reports of Flying Saucers

By HOWARD W. BLAKESLEE
Associated Press Science Editor

New York, N. Y. — The flying saucers may be explained by certain laws of eyesight.

All objects appear round or nearly so at any distance close to the limit of how far a person can see.

If the objects are seen by reflected light, as in most cases reported, they are almost certain to be round, and if the reflections are sunlight then the sizes reported are *those which* would be expected from distant light reflections.

Descriptions of virtually all the saucers as round and flat fit exactly with the tricks that eyes play. This trickiness varies with differences in weather and lighting.

This writer has seen flying saucers over Long Island sound, not only this year but in previous years. They were round, bright and *moving fast*. But they were no mystery because they were light reflected from the bodies of airplanes that soon identified themselves by changing course and coming near enough to be seen distinctly.

Many descriptions of movements of the *flying saucers* fit with the common maneuvers of airplanes, singly or in groups. Some of the maneuvering reported, which took saucers out of sight and back into sight again, resembles what can be seen while watching distant airplanes.

Whether planes are guided, pilotless or jet, they all *would look* the same at great distances.

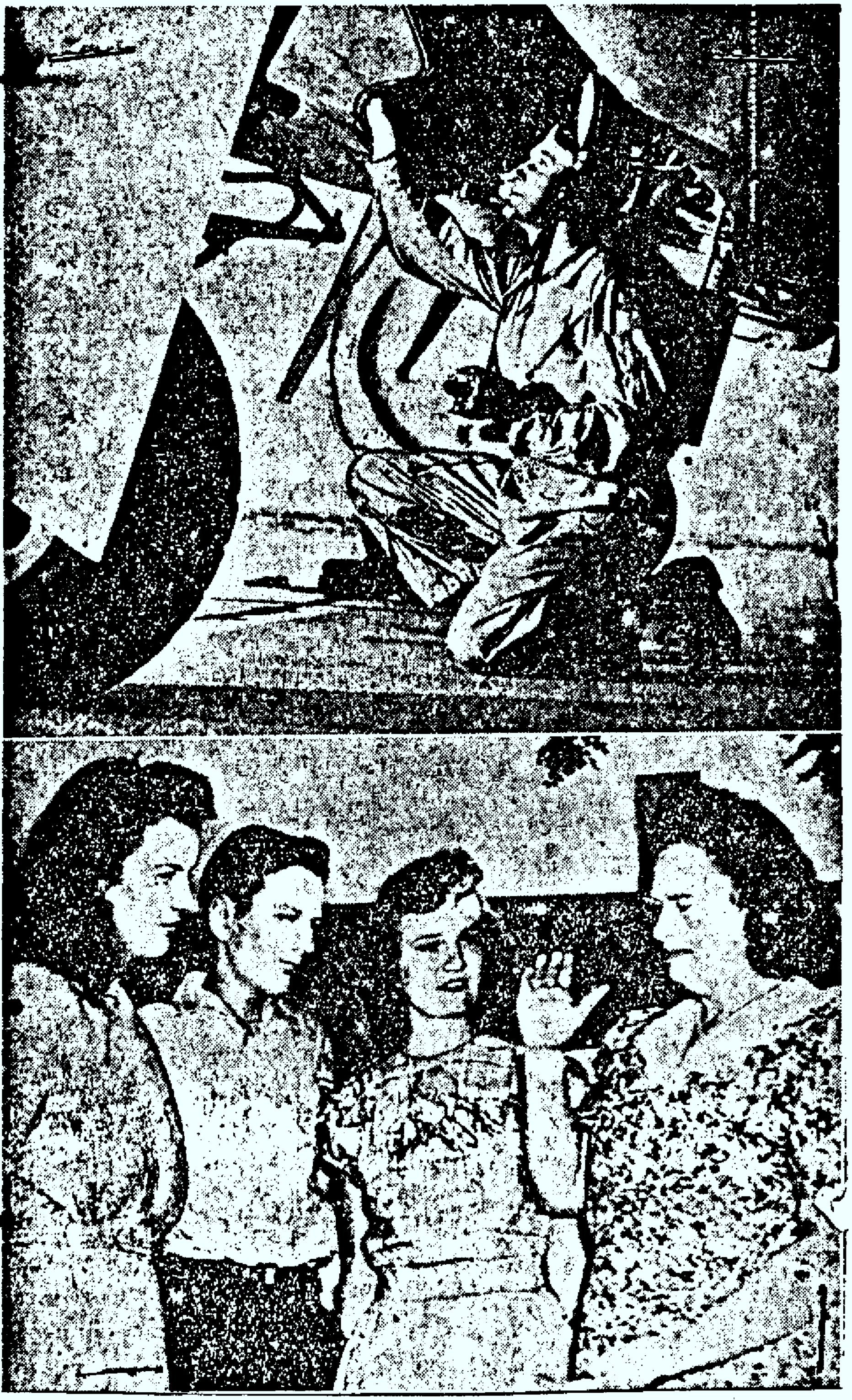
Mirages, Traveler Says

Philadelphia, Pa. -(AP)- Dr. Aurel Aczel, editor of a Hungarian language newspaper, expressed belief that the flying saucers were mirages—possibly circularly distorted reflections of real airplanes many miles away. A world-wide traveler, Dr. Aczel said:

"*Years ago* I have seen similar things on the Egyptian desert and on the Buszta (Hungarian plain). At sea I have also seen mirages of ships known to be a great distance away.

"In July and August, and sometimes even in June, atmospheric conditions are especially adaptable to the creation of mirages."

Sharp-Eyed Sight Disks, but Only a Saw Blade Is Found



Who, what, where, why are flying disks? The year's biggest mystery produced these Sunday photos while reports came from everywhere and everyone that the saucers were everywhere. Top left, a movie camera is fitted to a P-51 fighter plane at Portland, Ore., as Oregon national guard planes are made ready to chase the disks. Lower, Mrs. Walter Johnson (right) of Spokane, Wash., and her children pose and tell how they saw the saucers land on a mountainside in Idaho and disappear. Right, is Father Joseph Brasky of St. Joseph's Catholic church at Grafton, Wis., with the disk he reported struck his church early Sunday. It turned out that the disk was a prankster made projectile, featuring a Dunlop circular saw blade. Note that something apparently took a glass ball off one of the lightning rods. A whole lot of Milwaukeeans reported that they saw the saucers traveling past Sunday night.

—AP Wirephotos and Journal Staff

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~~Seen~~ In 36 States; Jet Fighters Alerted

SAN FRANCISCO, July [redacted] — Military aircraft hunted the skies over Pacific Coast states today for sight of the mysterious "flying saucers" that for 12 days have puzzled the entire country.

Early reports of results were negative.

Five P-51s of the Oregon National Guard cruised over the Cascade Mountains of Washington—the area where the strange objects first were reported sighted. A sixth circled over Portland, in constant radio contact with the other five. All carried photographic equipment.

Col. G. R. Dodson, commanding, described their flight as a "routine patrol," but said they had been instructed to watch for the flying discs.

At Manhattan Beach, Calif., A. W. McKelvey took a Mustang fighter plane up above Van Nuys. For two hours he cruised at 35,000 feet, but "didn't see a thing."

Gen. Carl Spaatz, commandant of the Army Air Forces, was on a Pacific Northwest fishing trip. He denied knowing anything about the flying discs — or of plans to use AAF planes to look for them.

'ET FIGHTER SET

"I've been out of touch with things for four or five days," he said.

Louis E. Starr, national commander-in-chief of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, yesterday in Columbus, O., said he understood Spaatz had a "group out right now" looking for discs.

At Muroc Army Air Field in California a P-80 jet fighter stood ready to take off the moment any flying saucers are sighted in that area.

A cautious attitude marked both official and scientific comments, but Capt. Tom Brown of the Air Forces Public Relations staff in Washington acknowledged the Air Forces had decided "there's something to this" and had been checking up on it for days.

SEEN IN 36 STATES

First sighted June 25 and greeted generally with scornful laughs, the objects have been reported every day since by observers in 36 states. Most of the objects were reported seen July 4. A few were reported yesterday.

Such competent observers as airline pilots said they had seen the totally unexplained discs or saucers, larger than aircraft and ~~flying in~~ "loose formation" at high speed.

David Lilienthal, chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission, said they had nothing to do with atomic experiments, and Army and Navy officials also entered positive disclaimers.

Newspaper stories quoting an unidentified California Institute of Technology scientist as saying the phenomena might have something to do with experiments in "transmutation of atomic energy" caused a brief sensation late yesterday. The institute quickly denied the report.

Reports generally agreed that the flying objects were round or oval. Estimates of their speed ranged from about 300 to 1,200 miles an hour. They were described as flying with an undulating motion at heights of 10,000 feet and less. Some described them as glowing, or luminous.

'PROPELLER IN CENTER'

Nova Hart, St. Louis mechanic who was trained during service in the war to spot all types of aircraft, said he saw one of the strang objects near Pattonville yesterday. It was flying at 300 feet, he said.

He described it as circular, with a ribbed framework and silver gray in color. Hart said it appeared to have a motor with a propeller attached in the center and it kept turning like an airplane doing a slow roll.

First published reports of the phenomena occurred June 25. Kenneth Arnold, Boise, Ida., businessman pilot, told of seeing nine of the discs flying in formation at 1,200 miles an hour over the Cascade Mountains in Washington.

SEEN BY 200

Arnold's account was taken lightly. Various explanations were offered—"reflections," "persistent vision," "snow blindness."

Soon afterward other individuals—in New Mexico, Missouri, California and other states—reported they also had seen the flying objects.

Then on Independence Day 200 persons in one group and 60 in another saw them in Idaho. Hundreds of others in Oregon, Washington and other western states reported seeing them.

July 4 also brought first reports of the flying discs from east of the Mississippi. Since then they have been reported seen in widely separated sections of the country—in 33 states in all.

'Must Be Insane'

LONDON, July 6—(AP)—Don't mention those flying saucers on this side of the Atlantic unless you're prepared for an argument about your sanity.

Maybe they have been seen by sober citizens over a vast area of the United States, but Europe won't believe in them until somebody lassoes one and has it photographed by Frank Sinatra, the British ambassador and five Supreme Court justices.

"America's reply to the Loch Ness monster," chortled today's Sunday dispatch, referring to Britain's hoariest tall story—the serpent that is "seen" romping in Scotland's Loch Ness every time the tourist trade needs a shot in the arm.

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Planes Chasing Disks Find Only Empty Sky

Jokesters ~~Add~~ Some Comedy to Air Mystery

East St. Louis Objects Prove to Be Washers; Chicago Woman Spots One With Legs

By the United Press

Army pilots were ready Monday for another air search for the mysterious "flying saucers" now reported seen in 39 states and parts of Canada as practical jokesters added to the confusion.

Equipped with telescopic cameras, 11 army planes searched the Pacific northwest Sunday without finding any trace of the flying disks which had been reported over scores of communities the preceding two days. At Sioux Falls, S. D., a national guard plane already in the air was ordered to investigate a silvery disk with a short tail which Gregory Zimmer said he saw shoot across the heavens. The pilot found nothing but empty sky.

The army "camera patrol" over the Cascade mountains Sunday included eight P-51 pursuit ships and three A-26 bombers.

Illusions Or Jokes

There was growing belief that the concentrated aerial search would show the saucers to be optical illusions or the work of practical jokesters magnified by aroused imaginations.

A number of "disks" whirled over rooftops in East St. Louis, Ill., Sunday. J. T. Hartley, a locomotive engineer, gathered some of them up and found they were made of pressed white paper, 11 inches in diameter and with a ~~two~~ inch hole in the center. Railroad workers said they looked like locomotive packing washers.

radio announcement ~~that disks~~ were flying over Lewiston, Idaho, Sunday sent hundreds into their yards for a look. Weatherman Louis Krezak said the objects were moving eastward with the prevailing wind and probably were weed seeds. Three air transport pilots agreed.

Searchlights on Clouds

A Birmingham radio station was deluged with more than 400 calls in one hour by persons who said they saw fluorescent balls circling over the city and clearly outlined against near-by mountains. A carnival at Alabaster, Ala., was playing searchlights on cloud wisps.

An argument raged at Lodi, Calif., over the cause of a spectacular glow in the sky and a roar shortly before electrical power went off. Mrs. W. C. Smith said she heard a noise "like a four motored bomber" just before the lights went off at dawn. Erving Newcomb of the Pacific Gas & Electric Co. offered the explanation that a low flying crop dusting plane probably had struck a power line and burned out a transformer. However, no planes were reported damaged and no one could explain ~~what a crop~~ dusting plane was doing in the air at dawn ~~on Sun~~day. It was the first time any noise had been attributed to flying saucers.

Give 'Em Room

Newport News, Va.—Peninsula airport here is taking no chances with flying saucers. Pilots reporting Monday to take out planes found this notice on the bulletin board: "Two thousand feet vertical and horizontal clearance required between aircraft operating from this field and any flying saucers."

J. U. Watts, jr., Darlington (S. C.) attorney, said he saw an army pursuit plane chasing a V-formation of flying saucers at 250 miles an hour 2,000 feet high. However, no pilot reported such a chase.

Saw One With Legs

Meantime, authorities were plagued with reports that bordered on the fantastic. An excited Chicago woman reported that she had seen a flying saucer with legs. "I was standing on my porch and I thought for sure it was coming right down and slap me in the face," she said.

George Kuger of Denver said he saw a flying disk with an American flag on it.

Francis Howell, Tempe, Ariz., claimed he saw a saucer two feet in diameter disappear behind a row of trees near his home. When he rushed to inspect it, he said, the flat, thin, aluminumlike disk took off at a "high rate of speed" toward Phoenix, nine miles away.

Mrs. Walter Johnson returned to Spokane, Wash., after a vacation near St. Maries, Idaho, and after reading newspaper reports of the flying saucers said she and several others had seen speeding shiny objects "as big as a four or five room house" disappear into the forest covered mountains.

The first of the saucers over New York State was reported by Mrs. Kenneth Wohley of Rochester, N. Y., who said she and her husband saw an object "about the size of an ordinary saucer" flying above her back yard at 8:30 p.m. Sunday.

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New Jersey residents said they "thought" they saw flying disks over Palisades Park and near-by Bergenfield Sunday night.

Skeptical scientists recalled the mysterious "rockets" seen over Sweden last year. Eighty per cent of the "ghost rockets" proved to be meteors, and Swedish officials said the others could be discounted as pure imagination.

Scientists asserted that the objects in order to be seen clearly at 10,000 feet—the level at which most of the saucers have been reported—would have to be 20 feet in diameter, would require a large mass of metal, would be more conspicuous at night and would be seen by a far greater number of persons.

Dr. J. S. Nassau, director of the Warner & Swasey observatory at the Case Institute of Technology at Cleveland, said he was inclined to "think the reports are fancies."

Capt. Tom Brown, army air force spokesman at Washington, said the army was trying to run the reports to earth.

"We're not dismissing the possibility that there's something to it," he said, "and we're not dismissing the possibility that it's all a hoax."

U. S. Planes Hunting Discs; Russ Tells of 'Atom Saucers'

FBI Probes Story of Soviet Ship Officer

LOS ANGELES, July 6—(Special)—Federal agents today investigated a letter to the Examiner describing Russian supersonic atom-powered planes resembling the "flying saucers."

A top flight atomic scientist to whom the Examiner referred the letter said it was "not all nonsense," and suggested the matter be turned over to the FBI.

The letter writer said he got the information from an officer aboard a Russian tanker recently in Los Angeles harbor.

KILLED EVEN WORMS

The Russian, he said, also described experiments with conrolled radioactive clouds in the Arctic, where birds, animals and ven worms were killed.

The planes, as described by the Russian to the writer, are only 8 inches thick, with a kidney-haped outline and no propellors.

The pilot lies on his stomach and is artificially cooled against he heat developed by air friction.

"The outer surface is highly polished," the Russian said. Both upper and lower surfaces are convex, like a giant lens. The lifting force is an entirely different principle found about 10 years ago among unpublished papers of a Russian chemist.

"Energy is required only for climbing, but no energy is needed for support when the airplane goes along the earth's gravitational contour lines."

The writer of the strange letter said he met the Russian ofcer in Wilmington and, because e wanted to hear about Russia, invited him to dinner.

~~The Russian~~ first asked where he could sell 18 polar bear pelts which he received "for very dangerous work."

He said he had been assigned to go over the route of the radioactive cloud near Lake Bakal (or Baykal) and pick up dead animals.

ALL LIFE DESTROYED

"They loaded a few small ships with all kinds of animals and directed the cloud over them," the writer said.

"During this experiment, a violent storm blew the cloud far north into the tundra, but before it dissipated it destroyed all life on its way.

"The cloud may be controlled from land, from a plane or from a robot-piloted 'leader.' As I understand it, the control is based on electro-magnetic waves and the cloud has two components: The carrier and the killer."

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Quirks of Eyesight May Explain Disc Mystery

By **HOWARD BLAKESLEE**
AP Science Editor

NEW YORK, July 6—(AP)—Certain laws of human eyesight will explain much of what has been described about the flying saucers reported from nearly all parts of the United States.

At any distance which is close to the limit of how far a person can see, all objects appear round or nearly so. This law of sight covers both small things seen nearby and large ones at great distances.

Regardless of shape, the object near the limit of sight looks round. If the thing is silhouetted against a bright sky, as some of the flying saucers have been reported, then it is more likely to reveal its true shape.

HAVE 'NO STRUCTURE'

If the thing is seen by reflected light, as in most cases reported, it is almost certain to be round, and if the reflections are sunlight, then the sizes reported are those which would be expected from distant light reflections.

The one outstanding fact about virtually all the saucers is that they had no structure — they seemed merely round and flat. That description fits exactly with the tricks that eyes play. This trickiness varies with differences in weather and lighting.

This writer has seen flying saucers over Long Island Sound near his home, not only this year but in previous years. They were round, bright and moving fast.

NOT A MYSTERY

But they were no mystery because they were light reflected from the bodies of airplanes that soon identified themselves by changing course and coming near enough to be seen distinctly.

Last week this writer also saw one oval flying form which for a moment looked exactly like the photograph of the oval object taken by Yeoman Frank Ryman north of Seattle, Wash. The Long Island oval came closer and turned into an airplane.

Planes at great distances tend to look round when light is reflected from their sides. Many descriptions of movements of the flying saucers fit with the common maneuvers of airplanes, singly or in groups.

They fit also with what birds look like, flying at a considerable distance. However the bird illusion is not very common. Some of the maneuvering reported, which took saucers out of sight and back into sight again resembles what can be seen while watching distance airplanes.

SPEED MYSTERY

There is no explanation for reported speeds of 1,000 or more miles an hour. Meteors, although they go much faster than that, do not explain it because the saucers mostly appear in daytime and there are not enough daylight meteors.

Ice crystals forming little round clouds have been suggested. But these fail to fit in most cases because the ice crystals form at altitudes which are higher than most of the saucers reported.

Nothing published in science or atomic studies gives the slightest clue to flying saucers unless the objects are aircraft.

One scientist today said that at least a lot of saucers are explained by the force of suggestion which causes a person to say to himself:

"Oh, gee, I see it too."

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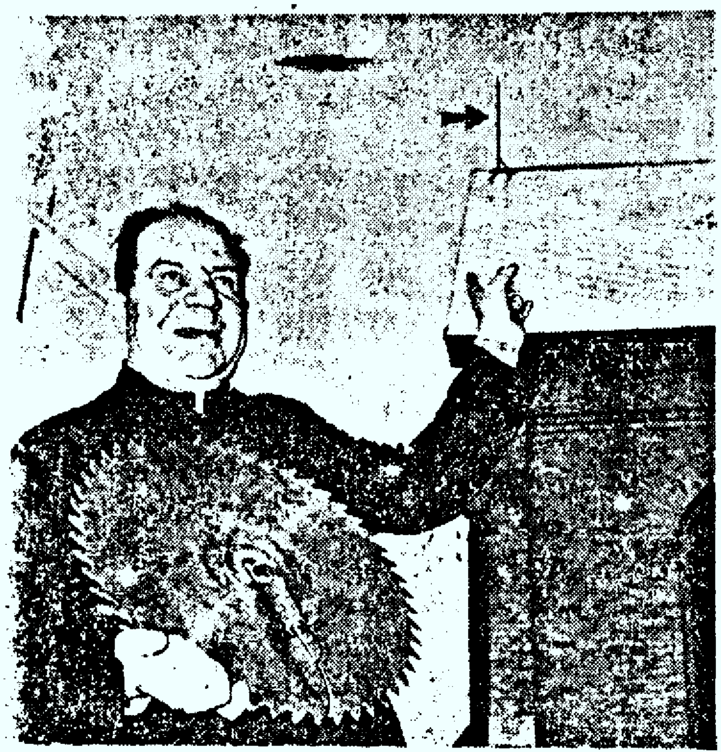
'Saucers' Fly Here; Grafton Disc Joke



What was reported as a “flying disc” which struck a church in Grafton early yesterday turned out to be a circular saw with two small tubes and several wires attached to it. Father Joseph Brasky, pastor of St. Joseph's Church, Grafton, holds the “disc” and points to the lightning rod on the church (arrow), which he said was struck by the disc. Sentinel Photo by Ernest Anheuser.

The mystery of the “flying discs,” strange luminous objects seen speeding across the sky in many states, turned to Wisconsin yesterday when several persons reported them at Milwaukee and Janesville.

Mystery was added to mystery when Father Joseph Brasky, pastor of St. Joseph's Church at Grafton, Wis., reported a missile hurtled through the air early yesterday, knocked the ball off the church lightning rod, and landed on the front lawn.

WIRES AND TUBES

It was a large circular saw—about 16 inches in diameter—and was hot when Father Brasky picked it from the lawn.

There were wires and two tubes attached to it. The tubes were an inch in diameter and three inches long.

One theory was that pranksters or belated Fourth of July celebrants had attached explosives to the saw, and sent it skimming through the air.

Father Brasky said he heard a swishing noise and a sizzling at 5 a. m., followed a second later with a thud and an explosion.

An excited resident telephoned to Billy Mitchell Field, and said he saw 15 flying saucers, in U formation, heading north over Granville, at 10:05 p. m. He hung up before his name could be procured.

A passenger aboard a New York-Detroit-Milwaukee plane, which landed at Billy Mitchell Field at 10:05 p. m., told employes in the office of Northwest Airlines, Inc., he saw a flying saucer bobbing up and down over the airfield just after he had alighted from the plane.

Other passengers with him also saw it, he said. He gave the name of J. W. Rowden of ~~Detroit.~~ Despite ~~its~~ bobbing, the saucer was going at great speed, and was out of sight in a few seconds, he said. Rowden is stopping at the Plaza Hotel.

DISCS HAD TAILS

Erwin Rottman, 1328 N. 19th St., said he saw three of them, with tails, flying northwest to southeast, as he stood at N. 18th and W. Vliet Sts. They turned from gold to another color and then to silver, he said.

Frank Phifer, stopping at the Maryland Hotel, said he saw three balls of fire shoot across Lake Michigan at 8:20 last night, about a mile from shore, and “going at terrific speed.”

What he described as an illuminated saucer was seen last night by William Humphrey, 3148 S. 20th St., he said. It was zigzagging directly over the Heil Co. plant, said Humphrey, and seemed to land in a wooded area nearby.

REPORTED IN JANESVILLE

Four Janesville residents reported they had seen a flying disc Saturday night. They are Mr. and Mrs. Al Sievert and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Roth.

They saw the disc flying in a northwesterly direction from Janesville at a “terrific speed.” They viewed it for 20 minutes. It was yellow-golden, and seemed to turn at times to a silvery color, they stated. An oval flight pattern was followed. Then, they said, tails appeared on the disc and shortly afterwards it disappeared.

John Bosch, 4377 S. Adams St., Milwaukee, a machinist, insisted he saw two flashing saucer-shaped objects pass over Billy Mitchell Field shortly after midnight yesterday. They were close enough so he could definitely state they were not shooting stars, nor airplanes, he said. Bosch's home is near the airport.

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TO : D. M. Ladd

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Informant

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WASHINGTON

Yoakum, July 12. 1947.
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Gentlemen!

FLYING FILE

I do send to you someting new from Texas.

Flying of fire circled around the Palestine and the people are afred of it.

And around Cuero, not far away from Yoakum, fell down some kind licht from aeroplan.

Anyway got in that hands enemy or Nazi mob and want ruind the Texas.

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of electric by lichg
dnig is run fire
ball from Telefon
box ihs the store, far
away above hallf mill.

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neckted with Alarm
Register in San An-
tonio and people are
talking with us.

Thel people are Arbi-
shop Robert Luciey
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ce and is talking with
us.

In the Broadcast-
ing Station and
Alamo Register fires,

and with the Old arbishops residence, and with the Catedrale priests.

The Alamo Broadcasting is aprerate with by twot german old men, And the [illegible] are now sick, [illegible] blind from the elecktric and they talk with us And there are two men more and they are fiting and fosing together and we can heare them.

The Arbishop is bad man and lummoxa[illegible], and working nuthing. All work is don by the Cathedral Board.

In Thre old arbi-
shops residence are
some priests,
One is name Morkov-
-sky, hy is bad man
to!

Hi was in care vreck
with arbishops care and
his Mother is kild.
and from that time hi
is leave in the old re-
sidence, and talking
with us.

His brother is priest
in Hallettsville and
talking with us too

All the people look
somkind like treck,
are no cityzen United
States, also speak En-
glish, they say they are
coming from Checko-
slovakia.

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The Chilldren
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they all are working
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against the Mexicans
Santa Ana.

And I am ending with
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Reemember Alamo
and Texas City.

Mrs. [redacted] b7C
Mr.

[redacted] b7C

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o [illegible]nnis, who in 1946, won
is [illegible] pig with an essay
d [illegible] Sears-Roebuck con-
Again, in February 1947, he
d a calf in the Hallettsville
Club Show, and out of 12
s awarded he took fifth

s. Brenek is Sweet Home's
nistress.

Growing
nateurs' Display
xcellent Form

akum softball teams showed
of good playing in the games
d at the Bulldog Stadium
week.

e teams, organized by var-
merchants and concerns in
, are composed of members
amateur standing who have
some previous experience with
l-lot or school ball playing.
vever, some of the players
shown such expert ball-
lling and sportsmanship that
hard to believe they are not
essionals out of place. The
[illegible] who organized these
e are certainly doing their
[illegible] providing recreation
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[illegible] for their fine work.
merchants or concerns who
to organize a team may
n all the particulars from
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e on Lott Street, or from
R. C. McClendon at Lack's
ociate Store on West Grand.
boys or men wishing to play
one of the teams may make
lication at the Firestone Store,
k's, Rohan's Service Station,
Hamilton's Jewelry Store, de-

District Attorney Joseph W Cash.

If the present [illegible] of flying disks are con[illegible] with radar or guided miss[illegible] experiments, the law might apply, he said.

The law applies whether the information is released accidentally, "through gross negligence," or "with intent to injure the United States or aid some foreign nation," according to the act.

The Atomic Energy Act of 1946 provides even stricter penalties for revealing information, Mr. Cash said. Public Law 585 of the Seventy-Ninth Congress provides death or life imprisonment, after due process of law, for disclosing atomic information with intent to injure the United States.

For accidental disclosures a fine of up to $20,000 and imprisonment up to 20 years are provided," Mr. Cash pointed out.

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Gas Truck Hits Local Station

A gasoline trailer truck of the Texas Consolidated Transport Co. ran into a heavy pipe upright in front of Rohan's Service Station Monday, doing some damage to the station and more to the truck.

The truck was coming from town, along West Grand, and turned into the station. As the driver cut the cab back to swing the trailer into position, the cab [illegible] into the steel pipe, roof support on the right of the truck, bending it considerably. The truck itself suffered a bent bumper and a smashed fender. A gasoline pump directly behind the upright was not damaged by the crash.

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Mrs. Valentine said neigh
ing negro families thought
world was coming to an
and began praying as the
of fire gamboled overhead.
Mrs. Lorens Shrader,
Springs reported she saw a
red ball streaking overhead
night.
Mrs. Marian Reed, farm
found what she believed was
of a flying disk. It landed in
back yard while she was h
out the clothes yesterday
noon. She admitted she
frightened. She described it
round piece of tinfoil eight
es wide, scorched or burne
round the edges. Both sides
shiny, but one side was m
with black, stenciled lines a
ter-inch apart. She said th
foil dropped straight down
the sky.
She lifted it with a stic
it in a tin can, and drove
miles to Gunter, 20 miles
west of Sherman. Scores c
about to see it.
At Melissa, Collin County
Marie Killian and Mrs. Kay
reported seeing a strange
at 8:40 p. m. yesterday.
Charles Calhoun, and his
er, W. J. Calhoun, pron
Grayson County farmers
they saw a disk yesterda
Sherman.

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Cuero Residen
See Flying Dis

Cuero has finally prod
first flying disc.
It was reported by Mrs
Haak of 410 Stockdale str
both she and her husband
However, Mrs. Haak's
disc is no particular mys
her. She thinks she kno
what caused it.
It was simply a reflecti
an airplane, she said.
Sitting on the porch

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eet Home Boy Winner In ssay Contest

the second time in the past of months a Sweet Home t has brought honor to his unity by winning literary holastic acclaim.'

t to achieve himself was n Anthony Matusek, Yoa- High School graduate who a scholarship to A. and M. ge. Now word reaches us Dennis Brenek, eleven-year-son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. ek of Sweet Home has been ed a prize of a $25 Savings l in the KTRH Farm Essay st.

nis won sixth place with his on the subject "How Radio Best Serve the Farm and rm Home." In commenting s essay, George Roesner, Farm and Ranch Director t"Your essay contained cellant ideas which we

FIRST ITS FLYING DISKS — NOW ITS "FIRE BALLS" PEOPLE SEE

A lot of Texans are disk-gusted with the flying saucers, but others are just plain disk-turbed:

Flying balls of fire circled a wide area around Palestine, and some negroes, believing the end of the world was near, began praying. A white man grabbed a rifle and shot at the mysterious objects.

Sheriff Paul Stanford of Anderson County described them as orange basketballs of fire.

It was the first time the aerial objects were reported in that area. Residents of the Brushy Creek community, 15 miles northeast of Palestine, called Sheriff Stanford about 8:30 last night, saying 12 balls were flying in a straight line over the community. Then, they reported, the balls formed a circle which began moving toward Palestine.

By 9 p. m. hundreds of Palestine spectators reported seeing as many as three balls in the sky at once, moving in a circle. Sheriff Stanford discounted any suggestion that the balls originated from a spotlight.

Bud Everett, druggist, chased them for a better view. He said they finally disappeared about 11 p. m.

Mrs. Horace Valentine said she saw two perfectly round balls that "nearly scared me to death" when they appeared over her home. She said [illegible]

Revealing Flying Disk Data May Bring Prosecution

Anyone willfully communicating information bearing on the defense or security of the nation

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. D. M. LADD

FROM : H. B. FLETCHER

SUBJECT: [redacted]

DATE: July 7, 1947

Mr. Tolson
Mr. E. A. Tamm
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy [redacted]
Mr. Carson
Mr. Egan
Mr. Gurnea
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Hendon
Mr. Pennington
Mr. Quinn Tamm
Tele. Room
Mr. Nease
Miss Holmes
Miss Gandy

At 10:45 a.m., July 7, 1947, I talked to SAC Johnson of the Milwaukee Office concerning the United Press item appearing in the Washington Post for Monday, July 7, with reference to a flying disc or flying saucer allegedly reported to the Milwaukee Office by Reverend Joseph Brasky of St. Joseph's Church, Grafton, Wisconsin.

SAC Johnson advised that the Associated Press and the United Press between the hours 1:00 and 6:00 a.m. today had made inquiry of him as to whether anything had been reported to the Milwaukee Office. He declined to comment. He stated as a matter of fact the priest had not made any contact with him, and he learned from the Associated Press that the priest was intoxicated and as far as the Associated Press was concerned they were not releasing the story because all that was involved was a circular saw. Mr. Johnson stated the Milwaukee Sentinel apparently sent the report out and that they handled United Press service. He stated a photograph of the priest was in this morning's paper holding a circular saw which apparently covers the body of the priest from arm pit to arm pit. Attached to the saw are several wires and two small tubes described as about three inches long and one inch in diameter. The news item in the Milwaukee Sentinel indicates it was believed some prankster had thrown it into the yard, perhaps with a firecracker attached. Mr. Johnson stated the Milwaukee Sentinel had stated the priest would make a report of this matter today to the Milwaukee Office. I instructed SAC Johnson in the event the priest made a report to furnish details of the report immediately, but in view of the nature of the information in his possession, no inquiry should be conducted at the present.

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Boston Mass.
July 14, '47.

G.I.R.-5

Dear Sir:

May I call your kind attention to the "heartless criticism" in some papers, of people who reported the "Flying Saucers," especially an article in the "Boston Globe," Daily, by a writer called Linden. Also, an

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G.I.R.-5

[illegible] this man,
is criticism
of people who make
these reports is very
unfair. Everyone
from oculists to
psychiatrists slammed
them, publicly, in
articles. It is a
poor way to thank
millions people for their efforts.
No medals, when some-
thing will happen when
they are needed, these people
probably will not bother.

Miss [redacted]

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July 11, 1947.

Dear Sir:

Have you seen one of the mysterious "Saucers"?

What did it look like?

Do you think these strange, celestial manifestations are harbingers of a better day?

Do you believe it means that a new and revolutionary advance is coming?

Will it make your life brighter, happier, more useful?

We believe one of these startling discs is on its way to you. Then the secret will be out.

The Combined and Amalgamated Committee
of Sky-Scanners, Disc Decipherers and
New-Product Introducers.

G. I. R.

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I have also seen a flying saucer - the evening of July 4 - about 10^{30}PM - only it was in the air at the same level as two obvious portions of light in the search light beams from the air field near Lake St. Clair. I was sitting on my porch at the time. could A few trucks could with proper equipment create the same illusion. There were two clearly outlined beams - one partly faded out to that level.

The saucer appeared when the third beam faded out from the ground to the saucer. Recently I mentioned the distressed ships in the Pacific not being due entirely to natural phenomena and co-ordinating that ship, the bomb

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disaster soon; 'tis I had again menti the stab murder case - the recent Mansille story — are the "flying saucers" - army or vigilante?

I am still American only! Believe that our age is predestined - but that we must all play our parts in this age, and maybe it was my work to glance up from my porch July 4th — to an illusion - not delusion — saucer!

Again this will be unsigned — {President Truman's speech and attempt
the actress (Sat Eve Post by Kelly to Sheehan)

Should "fallacious" have glasses with accident reducing frames which are specially designed for her environment to reduce the danger of eye injury? Her memory is not really as impaired as it seems - - she is still afraid for obvious reasons - but "illusions" do not help her.

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director
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U.S. Dept. of Justice Bldg.
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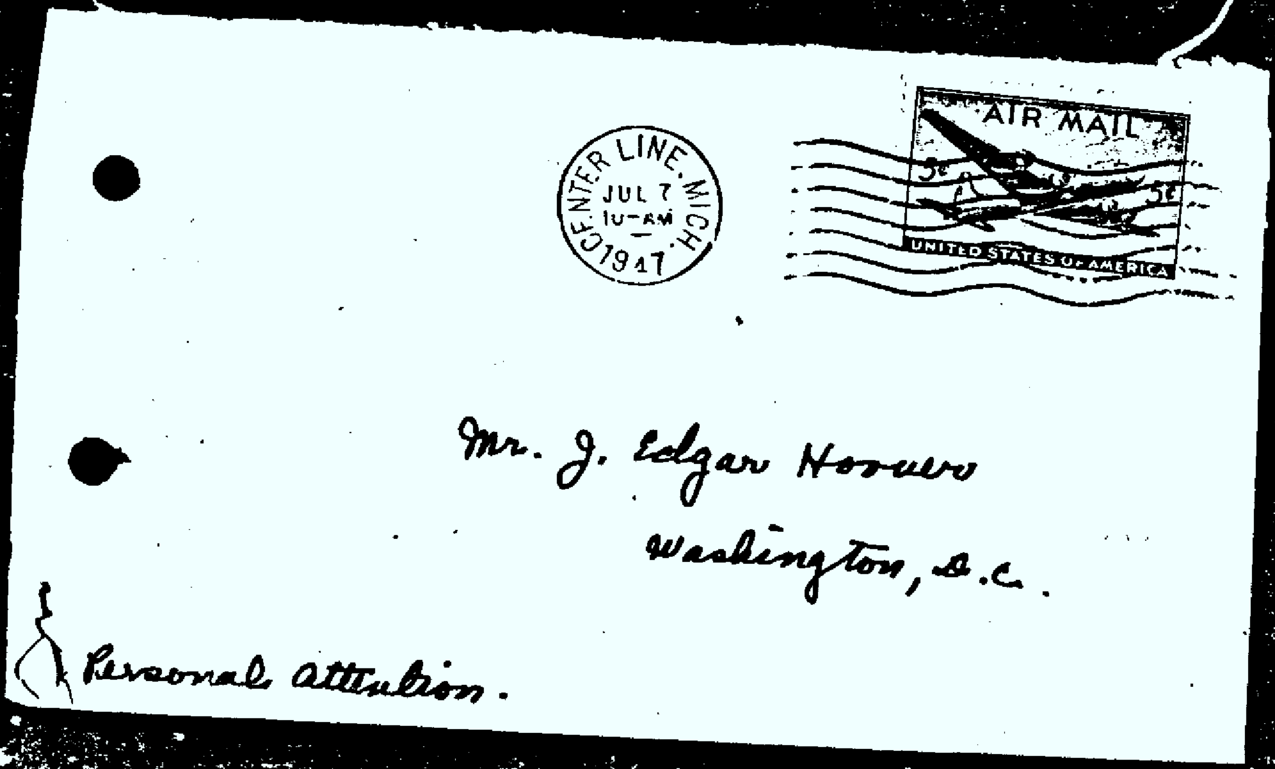
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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Washington, D.C.

Personal attention.

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~
~~BY SPECIAL MESSENGER~~

Date: August 5, 1947

To: Director of Intelligence
War Department General Staff
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

Attention: Colonel L. R. Forney, Chief, Security Group

From: John Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: [redacted] b7c

There are attached hereto copies of a letter received from the above-captioned individual, together with copies of a newspaper clipping enclosure, concerning "flying discs."

[redacted] b7c letter has been acknowledged and he has been advised that copies of his letter have been furnished to you for your consideration.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington D.C.

Gentleman:

On July 7th 1947, 10:30 P.M. [redacted] my mother in law and I witnessed a flaming object which dropped in street in front of our house at [redacted] Omaha Nebr.

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Upon examination, the object was solid and had form of round circular disc, approximately the size of a silver dollar and 1/4" thick, burning with extreme heat.

The World Herald Newspaper was notified and reporter was sent out.

In the mean time, a boy kicked

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the object a 2 and it fell in 3 pieces.

When the reporter arrives he scooped up the fragments and said he would have them analyzed.

Your attention is directed to attached analyses.

There were six people who actually saw the object and can testify to the extreme heat at which it was burning.

We did not claim it was one of the so called "flying saucers" or any such phenomena but we did want some kind of a reasonable explantion because if this object had dropped on a roof top, it would have certainly set fire.

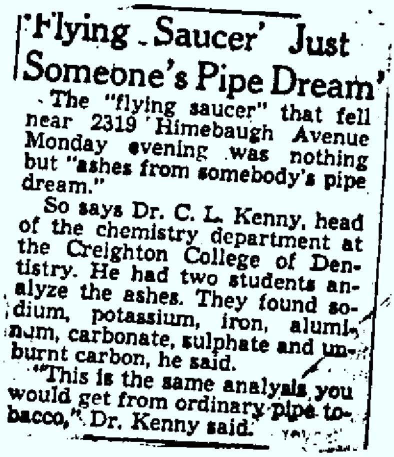
We can definitely say it

was not tobacco ashes as
inferred by [redacted] b7c
It burnes with such extreme
heat as ~~to~~ scorch pavement on and
near pavement where it let
Possibly this could have
been a late Fourth of July
firework or something similar
but at any rate we are calling
it to your attention as the
answer the "learned" [redacted] b7c
gave as being pipe ashes is full
of ridicule an entirely unsatisfacty,

Yours sincerely

[redacted] b7c

Omaha Nebraska



'Flying Saucer' Just Someone's Pipe Dream'

The "flying saucer" that fell near 2319 Himebaugh Avenue Monday evening was nothing but "ashes from somebody's pipe dream."

So says Dr. C. L. Kenny, head of the chemistry department at the Creighton College of Dentistry. He had two students analyze the ashes. They found sodium, potassium, iron, aluminum, carbonate, sulphate and unburnt carbon, he said.

"This is the same analysis you would get from ordinary pipe tobacco," Dr. Kenny said.

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DIRECTOR   ROUTEIN

RE FLYING DISCS, MISCELLANEOUS. Disc ~~DISC~~ REPORTED FOUND BY [redacted]

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Dear F.B.I.:

ANONYMOUS COMMUNICATION
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FLYING DISCS

It is my opinion about those "flying discs" reported seen over, Kentucky, new mexico, California, Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Colorado, South Carolina and Eastern Canada that some Europe-an Country is using them by filling them up with germs or highly explosevies, and after a couple thousand miles they drop their contents and dissappear.

I suggest that you keep

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Or else something might happen
to us in the United States.

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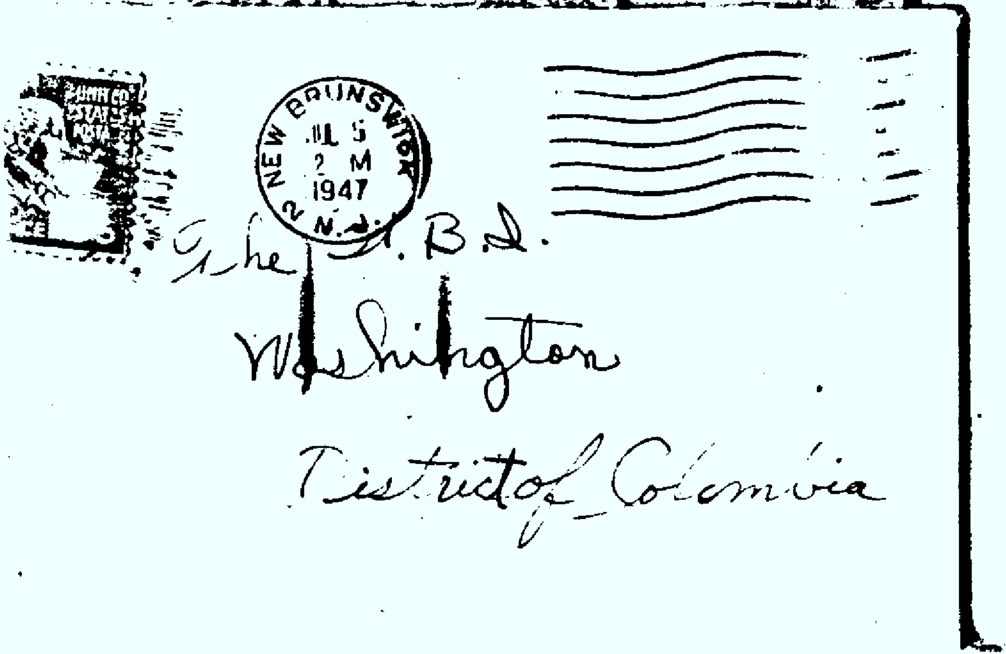

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M e About Saucers

Priest Finds 'Whirring' Disc In Yard and Holds It for FBI

Chicago, July 6 (U.P.).—A Catholic priest at Grafton, Wis., said tonight that a round, metal disc, which might be one of the mysterious "flying saucers," had crashed into his parish yard and that he is holding it for the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

The Rev. Joseph Brasky of St. Joseph's Church at Grafton, 45 miles north of Milwaukee, said he heard a swishing and whirring noise *this morning*. A second later, he said, he heard a thud and a mild explosion.

He investigated and found a sheet metal disc about 18 inches in diameter, resembling a circular saw blade.

"The object still was warm, weighed about four or five pounds and was about one eighth of an inch thick," he said.

There was a hole about one inch in diameter in the middle of the disc, he said, and in the opening were "gadgets and some wires."

The priest said he did not know if his discovery were important or whether it might be an elaborate practical joke. He said he had notified the FBI of his find. H. K. Johnson of the Milwaukee FBI office said he hadn't heard yet about the disc but that an official report might be at his office.

The flying discs have been reported "seen" by persons in 30 States, but Brasky's disc was the first one that actually had been found—if that is what was found.

His report came a few hours after a military plane made an unsuccessful speed dash in an attempt to track down one of the discs and the Army and scientists sought to ascertain whether coast-to-coast reports about the discs zooming through the sky were fact or fancy.

Army planes scoured the northwest Pacific skies for them without success today and one "eyewitness" even reported having seen one of the discs take off in Arizona. A St. Louis railroad man exhibited some paper "discs" he said he had seen floating over St. Louis.

The flying saucers which have been reported skimming through America's skies at speeds up to 1200 miles have eluded the usually keen eye of radar.

Capt. Tom Brown of the Army Air Forces public relations staff

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He told [illegible]

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Priest Finds [illegible]
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said the Army Airways Communications Service had reported late yesterday that so far its radar scopes throughout the country have been unable to pick up any strange objects in flight.

And in the Pacific Northwest—where most of the fly-happy platters have been reported—the Army has radar equipment which can pierce fog and darkness and pick up objects in the sky 200 miles away.

Even so, Brown acknowledged that the Air Forces had decided "there's something to this" and had been checking it for 10 days.

"And we still haven't the slightest idea what they could be," he added.

And a new wrinkle—the reported landing of a fleet of eight skimming platters—was reported from Idaho in full view of 10 persons. A. Dishman, Idaho housewife, said she and others in her party had seen the saucers land on a mountainside near St. Maries, Idaho.

She said they came into view at an extreme speed, suddenly slowed, and then "fluttered like leaves to the ground."

"The mysterious part was that we couldn't see them after they landed," she said. "We could see them flutter down into the timber yet we couldn't see that they did anything to the trees."

She said she hoped to hike into the timber tomorrow and search for the objects which she said were saucer-shaped but resembled washtubs more than disks and were "about the size of a five-room house."

Locally, Hazen Kennedy of 2615 4th st. ne. reported he had seen one passing over the Northeast section of the city at about 8:40 p. m

This would be the first one reported over the District, although others have been reported over nearby Maryland.

Kennedy, who has 125 hours flying time as a student pilot in the Army Air Forces to his credit, said he believed the saucer he had seen was traveling at "well over" 1000 miles an hour at an altitude of between 1200 and 1500 feet.

"The best way I can describe it," said Kennedy, "was that it looked like an orange lamp bulb without the socket. It was going faster than any jet plane I've ever seen."

In Hagerstown, Md., Mrs. Madelyn Ganoe, 30, said she had seen five of the discs, racing in 2-1-2 formation at "terrific speed," from her backporch. "They sounded like a faraway train," she said.

In the wake of these new eyewitness accounts came a new series of comments, and explanations, but most of them were tinged with a slight tendency to laugh off the whole thing.

Dr. Winfred Overholser, nationally known psychiatrist and superintendent of St. Elizabeths Hospital here, said it "has some of the earmarks of being national hysteria."

"Everytime someone comes up with a sea-serpent story," said Dr. Overholser, "others with vivid imaginations are sure they have seen the same thing.

"The critical faculty in man, the last one he received, is still not very well developed. Scratch the surface and you find the same mass hysteria which predominated during the witchcraft scare. Some persons are quite ready to see things and follow beliefs."

Dr. Overholser said that when he made his rounds of the mental patients yesterday at St. Elizabeths not a one commented on the flying saucers story.

"I think they may be a little skeptical," he added.

However, Dr. Overholser said he wasn't trying to dismiss the matter as a joke "because there are so many strange things going on today that one can't be sure."

Maj. Alexander P. de Seversky, noted aircraft designer, told The Post by telephone from New York that until he sees a flying saucer he "wouldn't like to pass judgment."

He agreed with Dr. Overholser that much if not all of the story may be because of hysteria.

"After all," he said, "we are more or less an hysterical Nation." Major de Seversky said it was possible that the persons who claim to have seen the aerial discs have instead glimpsed the exhaust of jet-propelled planes.

He conceded, too, that they might be guided missiles let loose as part of an experiment, but added:

"I don't think the Government would fire them so promiscuously. They would test them in one spot, in an isolated area, like they did the atomic bomb."

Maj. Gen. Curtis E. LeMay, who as Deputy Chief of Air Staff for Research and Development would know if the saucers involved experiments with guided missiles, commented:

"Whatever these people have seen it hasn't been anything resulting from experiments by the Army Air Forces. As for as I'm concerned there's nothing to it at all. The whole thing is unfortunate.

"There's [illegible]h said about guided [illegible]ew," he said.

Howard W. [illegible]ee, Associated Press science editor, said the whole business may be an optical illusion.

"At any distance which is close to the limit of how far a person can see," he wrote, "all objects appear round or nearly so. This law of sight covers both small things seen nearby and large ones at great distances.

"The one outstanding fact about virtually all the saucers is that they had no structure—they seemed merely round and flat. That description fits exactly with the tricks that eyes play. This trickiness varies with differences in weather and lighting."

However, Nova Hart, St. Louis mechanic who was trained during service in the war to spot all types of aircraft, yesterday offered a minute description of one of the flying patterns which he claimed he saw flying at an altitude of about 300 feet.

Reporter Sees One

He described it as circular with a ribbed framework and silver gray in color. He said it appeared to have a motor with a propeller attached in the center and that it kept turning like an airplane doing a slow roll.

Although many explanations have been offered, none has been convincing. A Los Angeles newspaper quoted an unnamed nuclear physicist as saying the silvery discs resulted from experiments in the "transmutation of atomic energy."

This report was rapidly herded into the hoax column by David Lilienthal, chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission, and several prominent atomic scientists.

Starr Expects Word

Louis E. Starr, national commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, announced Saturday at Columbus, Ohio, that he was expecting "momentarily" information from Washington which would explain the dashing discs. But the message never arrived.

The Air Forces said that Gen. Carl Spaatz, Air Forces chief, was in the Pacific Northwest where most of the saucers have been reported, but added that his trip there was planned two months ago, long before the saucers scare. General Spaatz is expected back in Washington late tomorrow.

Muroc Army Air Field in California had a P-80 jet fighter standing by, and the National Guard in Oregon had prepared six regular fighters to give chase should saucers be reported nearby.

UFO
SECTION 2

DATE: 9/4/47

TO: Director, FBI

FROM: SAC, Baltimore

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS
MISCELLANEOUS

The attached newspaper clipping appeared in the "Morning News" of Wilmington Delaware, July 8, 1947. It reports that a FORREST WENYON, 123 Rehoboth Avenue, Rehoboth Beach, Delaware, an aircraft pilot, had disclosed that in th past ten months he had twice seen flying discs which he was reported to have described as "flying mayonnaise jars." He was reported to have seen the first flying disc during September, 1946, and to have noted another such object on June 2, 1947.

Mr. WENYON was quoted as having called the Federal Bureau of Investigation and was advised that the Bureau was not interested, whereupon he notified the Eastern Airlines and the Civil Aeronautic Authority of the objects he had seen. Both agencies are reported to have accepted the information stating they would investigate. The clipping further stated that Mr. WENYON had received no answer to date from either agency.

This clipping was submitted to me by the resident agents' office at Wilmington together with the advice that no agent in Wilmington had been contacted by Mr. WENYON. I directed Mr. WENYON be interviewed to determine the full facts.

Mr. WENYON was interviewed and it was determined that his correct name is HORACE P. WENYON. Mr. WENYON advised that he had been an airplane pilot approximately thirty years. He stated that in September of 1946, while flyi at an altitude of 1,000 feet, two or three miles south of Rehoboth Beach, Delaware, he noticed a projectile approximately fifteen inches in diameter which crossed his course at right angles and was moving in a west-to-east direction. According to Mr. WENYON, several jets of flame were spurting from the object and it was traveling at a very high rate of speed, 1,000 to 1,200 miles per hour. He stated that in October of 1946, he observed a similar projectile while flying over Rehoboth Beach at 1,400 feet. This was also traveling from west to east.

Mr. WENYON stated that there is little question in his mind but that what he saw was some sort of rocket being tested. He stated that he wished to call the matter to the attention of the appropriate authority inasmuch as he thought that the series of airplane crashes that have occurred recently might in part be explained by what he had observed. He stated that he had reported the information to the Civil Aeronautics Authority and had been telephonically interviewed by a reporter from the Wilmington "Morning News".

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on Believes Mystery Discs, ed, May Have Caused Big rash on Memorial Day

pilot, Forrest Wenyon of 123 Rehoboth Avenue, ed last night that in the past 10 months he has being loosely described as "flying saucers" but mayonnaise jars."

erence between the mysterious objects of Mr. hose which have now been observed in some 40 states in that the former, according to the pilot, held a true course until they disappeared from sight.

This would indicate a guided or at least an aimed missile while the course of the "saucers" has been described by observers as erratic.

Mr. Wenyon said last night that he first saw what loosely resembled a "flying mayonnaise jar" one afternoon last September while flying at about 1,000 feet. It was late in the afternoon and the pilot was flying north.

Suddenly, at an estimated distance of 2,000 feet in front of his plane and traveling from west to east, Mr. Wenyon saw the "jar." It was going at tremendous speed but the pilot was able to note several things.

The most important of these observations, insofar as an explanation is possible, is that the "jar" appeared to have some sort of rocket combustion. Mr. Wenyon said that spurts of silver flame from the tail seemed to provide the propulsion.

Carrying out the description of the "flying mayonnaise jar," Mr. Wenyon said that the tail appeared to be a lid which had been perforated and that from these perforations the flames escaped.

In a matter of two, at the most three, seconds the object had disappeared over and past Fort Miles. The pilot did not see it land and doesn't know whether it did or not.

Then on June 2 while flying at 1,400 feet in a Stinson four-passenger ship Mr. Wenyon, a pilot of 30

Mystery Discs—

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ranged from the theory that they were radio controlled flying missiles sent aloft by U. S. military scientists to the suggestion that they might be merely sun light reflected on wing tanks of jet-propelled planes.

A. B. Cross of Chattanooga, Tenn., a 34-year-old watchmaker, announced he invented the "flying saucer" and submitted it to the War Department in 1943 but his idea was rejected as not practical "at the present time."

Later, he said, he became convinced that the department elaborated on his plan. His model was powdered with a rubber band, Cross said, but he believed atomic power now is being used.

A Spokane, Wash., woman insisted the objects she saw were of such size that together they would take up the space of a five-room house if they landed, but a Clearwater, Fla., woman said the disks she observed resembled "pie pans."

At Rutland, Vt., a woman reported she and her husband witnessed a brilliant object in the night sky which she assumed to be a "flying saucer" although it was stationary.

But at Cambridge, Mass., a housewife said she saw "a group of white, flying saucers whirling around and going at a tremendous speed."

The Massachusetts and Vermont reports brought to 40 the number of states in which the objects have been observed.

With New England getting into the game, the Harvard University astronomical observatory took note of the reports but said it had had no luck so far in photographing one of the discs.

The mysterious saucers first were reported June 25 in the State o Washington, but Charlie T. Hamlet, superintendent of the Kingsport, Tenn., Times News composin room, said yesterday he had see the discs two years ago.

They were "of a bright, aluminum color" and "were going at terrific speed," Hamlet said, explaining he kept quiet about them because of

Mr. WENYON stated that what he had seen traveled at such a high rate of speed that it was very difficult to describe it, but the description "flying mayonnaise jars" was concocted by the newspaper reporter.

This information has not been brought to the attention of any Army sources in view of the fact that only a preliminary inquiry was conducted on the basis of a news article which sets forth essentially the facts obtained from Mr. WENYON.

No further action in this matter is contemplated by this office unless advised otherwise by the Bureau.

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FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI DATE: August 27, 1947

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FROM : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO

SUBJECT: REPORTS OF FLYING DISCS

ATTENTION: ASSISTANT DIRECTOR D. M. LADD

Colonel [redacted], Fourth Air Force, Hamilton Field, California, [redacted] telephonically advised Special Agent [redacted] of the San Francisco Office at 10:40 AM on August 27, 1947, that a personal letter had been received by his organization from [redacted], city editor of the Seattle Times, which stated in effect that because there were so many stories going around relative to flying discs and related matters, and that his staff of reporters had been attempting to get reliable information concerning such stories, he was writing to inquire whether any governmental agency was going to make an official statement relative to the situation pertaining to the flying discs; that [redacted] also asked whether it would be permissible for his reporters to interview [redacted] relative to this situation.

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Colonel [redacted] stated that the above-mentioned letter was answered personally by General [redacted] on August 25, 1947, and advised Mr. [redacted] that as far as the Army Air Force was concerned, they had no information which would definitely clear up the situation; that as far as interviewing persons, Mr. [redacted] could feel free to interview whomsoever he desired, in that there was no censorship at the present time; that in the interest of economy, the Fourth Air Force Headquarters would not run out every lead or report of flying discs, but that if well-founded and apparently reliable information were received, that such information would be given attention.

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A copy of this letter is being forwarded to the Seattle Field Division for any action deemed advisable.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: August 27, 1947

FROM : SAC, San Francisco

SUBJECT: REPORTS OF FLYING DISCS

Attention: Assistant Director D. M. LADD

Reference is made to my letter of August 8, 1947, with which there were transmitted photostatic copies of three letters dated August 4, 1947, entitled, "Investigation of Flying Discs".

In order to keep the Bureau fully informed concerning this matter, I am enclosing a letter dated July 23, 1947, entitled, "Unidentifiable Objects" furnished to me by Lt. Colonel [redacted] GSC, A C of S A-2. b7C Inclosed with this letter was a memorandum for the officer in charge written by [redacted], JR., Special Agent CIC AAF dated July 16, 1947.

Lt. Colonel [redacted] furnished me in person with a memorandum entitled, "Incident for AF 1208-I" dated August 5, 1947, and prepared by [redacted] Special Agent CIC 4AF. b7C

The Bureau will be kept currently advised of any future information obtained in this matter.

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Incident
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE OFFICER IN CHARGE:

On 5 August 1947, this agent interviewed [redacted] [redacted] the assistant operations officer in the 416th AAF BU, building 95, Hamilton Field, California, regarding flying objects in the air. [redacted] stated in substance: He is an [redacted] in the 416th Training Unit. On 29 July at 1450, [redacted] and a student, [redacted], Berkeley, California, landed and parked an AT-6 near the hangar building 88 of the 416th AAF BU. Walking from the aircraft toward reserve operations, and looking westward just over the hangar, [redacted] saw a P-80 flying southward toward Oakland. Above this P-80 at approximately 8,000 to 10,000 feet in altitude, [redacted] saw two flying objects traveling the same direction as the P-80. The [redacted] judged the solid, white, somewhat shiny objects were approximately 15 to 25 feet in diameter. [redacted] stated that he didn't call them discs due to the publicity these objects have been given but in shape they were circular, like a ball on the bottom, but not completely round, and [redacted] specifically stated that those objects were not airplanes.

The first flying object was traveling straight and level, whereas the second was close behind the first, same altitude, only it seemed to be going from left to right and right to left, more or less like a guard in an aircraft formation. [redacted] further stated that the speed of these two objects made a P-80 look as if it was motionless in the air.

The sky was clear, consequently [redacted] watched the two objects until they disappeared in flight, supposedly over Oakland, headed toward the ocean.

Due to the noise of the P-80, no sound of any kind could be heard from these flying objects.

These objects did not leave any vapor, smoke, or any visible trails along their flight path.

[redacted] informed this agent he had never told anyone about these flying objects, fearing that people would think he was crazy.

AGENT'S NOTES: [redacted] showed extreme sincerity throughout the interview, answering all questions with caution and assurance.

JAMES A. NELSON, Spec Agt, CIC 4AF

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HEADQUARTERS FOURTH AIR FORCE
Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, A-2
Intelligence
Hamilton Field, California

28 July 1947

4AFDO-1
4AF-1208-I

SUBJECT: "Unidentifiable Objects".

TO: Special Agent in Charge, FBI, 111 Sutter Street, San Francisco, California.

Inclosed herewith is information copy of LOIC, subject as above, dated 18 July 1947.

DONALD L. SPRINGER
Lt Col., GSC
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UNIDENTIFIABLE OBJECTS
Williams Fld., Chandler, Ariz.
15 July 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR THE OFFICER IN CHARGE:

1. On 11 July 1947, [redacted] 170th AAF Base Unit, Ferry Division, Brooks Field, San Antonio, Texas was interviewed and the following information was obtained: [redacted] departed Williams Field, Arizona at 1400 CST on 28 June 1947 in a P-51 for Portland, Oregon, by the way of Medford, Oregon. At approximately 1515 CST on a course of 300 degrees, and ground speed of 285, altitude 10,000 feet, approximately thirty miles northwest of Lake Meade, Nevada [redacted] sighted five or six white, circular objects at four o'clock, altitude approximately 6,000 feet, course approximately 120 degrees and an estimated speed of 285 MPH. [redacted] said the objects were flying very smoothly and in a close formation. The estimated size of the white objects were approximately 36 inches in diameter. [redacted] stated that he is sure the white objects were not birds, since the rate of closure was very fast. Lt. Armstrong was certain that the white objects were not jets or conventional type aircraft since he has flown both types.

AGENT'S NOTES:

[redacted] was very sincere in the explanation and was not the exaggerating type. He merely stated what he saw and has drawn no conclusions as to what the white objects were.

Lawrence R. [illegible], Jr., Special Agent, CIC, AAC

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R. D. STEPHENS
Major, Air Corps

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: September 4, 1947

FROM : SAC, San Francisco

AIRMAIL
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SUBJECT: REPORTS OF FLYING DISCS

Enclosed is a copy of a letter dated August 28, 1947, from Lt. Col. [redacted] of A-2, Hamilton Field, Calif., with an attachment referring to the sighting of a flying object by Captain [redacted] and his co-pilot, [redacted], near Bethel, Alaska.

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Photostatic copies of this letter and attachment are being forwarded to the Anchorage Field Office. In accordance with Bureau Bulletin #42, dated July 30, 1947, Anchorage is requested to interview Captain [redacted] and his co-pilot, [redacted] [redacted] preferably separately, in order to obtain all details of their reported sighting of a flying object on August 4, 1947. The San Francisco Field Office should be furnished two copies of the results of these interviews for distribution to the Sixth Army Intelligence.

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SIGAK 000 ALASKA COMMUNICATION SYSTEM, SIGNAL CORPS ACSAD
Seattle 4, Washington
19 August 1947

Subject: Matters of National Interest

To: Commanding General
Fourth Air Force
San Francisco, California

The attached letter has been received from the NCOIC of the Alaska Communication System station at Bethel, Alaska. It is submitted for your information.

For the Commanding Officer:

/s/ Svend C. Hansen
SVEND C. HANSEN
Captain, Signal Corps
Acting Executive

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ACS, Seattle

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HQ FOURTH AIR FORCE, Hamilton Field, California, 23 August 1947.

TO: Special Agent In Charge, FBI, U. S. Department of Justice, Room 422, Federal Office Building, San Francisco, California.

Forwarded for your information.

DONALD L. SPRINGER
Lt. Colonel, GSC
AC of S, A-2

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BETHEL, ALASKA

5 August 1947

Subject: Matters of National Interest

To: Commanding Officer, Alaska Communication System
550 Federal Office Building, Seattle 4, Washington

1. Per ACAC-S 319.1 the following report is submitted on a matter which may become of National Interest. [redacted] and his CoPilot [redacted] have stated that on August 4, 1947 they sighted and followed a flying saucer Northwest of Bethel Alaska. This object was bigger than the Douglas DC-3 they were flying, crossed their course at right angles to them. It was flying at an Altitude of one thousand feet. They swung in behind it and followed it at an air speed of one hundred seventy miles per hour but it was out of sight in four minutes. They state the object was smooth surfaced and streamlined with no visible means of propulsion whatever.

2. It is realized that the Fourth Air Force claims there are no such things but [redacted] for Al Jones flying Service and is not a man given to exagerations. In view of the excellent reputation of [redacted] and the fact that no one here doubts in the least but that he actually saw this object, this report is turned in for any action deemed necessary by your office.

/s/ Harold D. Johnston
T/4 Signal Corps
Operator in Charge

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : Director FBI — DATE: September 2, 1947

FROM : SAC Butte

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS

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Remytel August 20, 1947.

With reference to the above-described teletype, Mr. [redacted] Twin Falls, Idaho, was the principal source of information. Mr. [redacted] who is the Executive Director of the [redacted] explained that he and his wife and Mrs. [redacted] a neighbor, were sitting on their front porch at approximately 9:30 P. M., August 19, 1947. He said that Mrs. [redacted] suddenly shouted and pointed to the sky and thereafter stated that she had seen an object traveling at a terrific rate of speed in a northeasterly direction. The object was out of sight before Mr. [redacted] and Mrs. [redacted] could see anything. b7C

While they were discussing what Mrs. [redacted] had seen, approximately ten minutes later all three saw ten similar objects proceeding rapidly in the same direction in the form of a triangle. As the group of objects was disappearing, three of the objects on the left flank peeled off and proceeded in a more northerly direction. The remaining objects appeared to close ranks and proceeded in a northeasterly direction. b7C

From three to five minutes later these same individuals saw another group of three objects proceeding in the same direction, and again in the shape of a triangle. From three to five minutes later all three observed another group in a triangular formation consisting of five or six objects. They were proceeding in the same direction.

A few minutes later the three persons saw a large group of objects estimated at from thirty-five to fifty flying in a triangular formation in the same direction. Approximately twenty or twenty-five minutes after the large group of objects was observed, similar objects were noted coming back over the city in a southwesterly direction. These objects were generally in groups of three, five and seven and followed each other at approximately five minute intervals.

Mrs. [redacted] called Detecti[redacted] of the Twin Falls Police Department, a next door neighbor, who was then accompanied by [redacted] also members of the Twin Falls Police Department. The three officers watched for a few minutes and observed a group of about twelve objects flying in formation over the city in a southwesterly direction. The members of the Police Department did not continue watching, although Mr. [redacted] later saw other groups, which were also seen by the [redacted] and Mrs. [redacted] Mrs. [redacted] had also called her husband, who saw some of the objects. b7C

Info to Major [illegible]

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On the night in question the sky was overcast and the objects could not be seen closely; however, they were distinct enough so that all persons could observe what they described as a glow going through the air. They said that the objects appeared to be lighted from the inside and were of a color similar to regular electric lights.

Detective [redacted] and Mr. [redacted] both stated that they could not be meteors or comets, that they flew on a level line and did not appear to drop. They flew at a terrific rate of speed and were visible for only a few minutes at a time. Both persons interviewed said that the objects could not have been geese or ducks and that the lights were not a reflection of the city lights on some object or objects. b7C

None of the persons interviewed noticed any flames or anything except the glow of lights. None of the persons who claimed to have seen these objects were drinking at the time. No other persons in Twin Falls reported seeing the objects mentioned herein; however, Mr. [redacted] and Mr. [redacted] stated that it was purely by accident that they had seen the objects and that they would not have seen them unless they were looking for them, because of the speed at which they traveled. On account of the overcast sky they were unable to estimate the size of the objects or the height at which they flew. b7C

No further investigation is being conducted by the Butte Office, and the case is being closed.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI - Attention: Assistant Director D. M. LADD

DATE: July 28, 1947

FROM : SAC, San Francisco

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS

There is transmitted herewith for the information of the Bureau a report received from Lieutenant [redacted], A-2, Hamilton Field, California, containing the results of an investigation by his office concerning the reported sighting of flying discs. b7C

In addition to containing the detailed descriptions of what was allegedly seen by several persons, the Bureau's attention is particularly called to the first memorandum setting forth the notes of Agent [redacted] CIC, Fourth Air Force, concerning an interview he had with Mr. [redacted], Box 387, Boise, Idaho, who reported that on July 12, 1947 he had seen nine strange objects flying over the Cascade Mountain Range of Washington State. It will be noted that CIC Agent [redacted] reports that "Mr. [redacted] is very outspoken and somewhat bitter in his opinions of the leaders of the United States Army Air Forces and the FBI for not having made an investigation of this matter sooner." b7C

The thought has occurred to me that the Bureau might desire to have an agent of the Butte Office contact Mr. [redacted] and explain to him our lack of jurisdiction in such matters. b7C

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HEADQUARTERS FOURTH AIR FORCE

Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, A-2

Hamilton Field, California

2 TITLE Flying Discs.	INVESTIGATION MADE AT Palm Springs, Calif., Boise, Idaho, and Hamilton Field, California.
	CONTROLLING OFFICE Air Defense Command
FILE NO. D333.5 ID (4AF-1208-I)	PERIOD COVERED From 10 Jul 47 to 18 Jul 47
	CASE CLASSIFICATION Incident
DATE 18 July 1947	STATUS OF CASE Pending

REASON FOR INVESTIGATION:

Investigation initiated at the request of Headquarters Air Defense Command reference letter Headquarters Air Defense Command, dated 7 July 47, File D333.5 ID, subject: Investigation of Flying Discs.

SYNOPSIS:

Flying Discs first reported in this area 24 June 1947 near Mt. Rainier, Wash., by [redacted] (Incl 1, Exhibit A) b6

Unidentified object reported 9 July 1947 at approximately 1277 near Boise, Idaho, by [redacted] Idaho Daily Statesman. (Incl 2, Exhibit B) b6

Unidentified objects reported by [redacted] United Air Lines Pilot, 4 July 1947, eight minutes out of Boise, Idaho. (Incl 3 MOIC, Incl 7 News Clippings dated 5 July 1947)

Record check of law enforcement agencies, public utilities, and local residences revealed no record of [redacted] in Palm Springs. (Incl 4) b6

Unidentified objects reported 8 July 1947 at 1245, traveling northeast over Hamilton Field by [redacted] (Incl 5, Exhibit I) b6

Unidentified objects reported over Grand Canyon, Arizona, 0910 MST by [redacted] USN (Incl 6) and in vicinity of Lake Mead by [redacted] Hq Tenth Air Force, Brooks Field, Texas. (Incl 6). b6

Extent of publicity in local area indicated by press clippings. (Incl 7)

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Lt. Colonel, GSC
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W. D., P. M. G. Form No. 110
1 April 1944
(This form supersedes W. D., O. C. S. Form No. 19, which will not be used upon receipt of this revision)

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Incident
4AF 1208 I
16 July 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR THE OFFICER IN CHARGE:

1. On 12 July 1947, [redacted], Boise, Idaho, was interviewed in regard to the report by [redacted] that he saw 9 strange objects flying over the Cascade Mountain Range of Washington State on July 25th. [redacted] voluntarily agreed to give the interviewer a written report of exactly what he had seen on the above mentioned date. The written report of [redacted] is attached to this report as Exhibit A,

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AGENT'S NOTES: [redacted] is a man of 32 years of age, being married and the father of two children. He is well thought of in the community in which he lives, being very much the family man and from all appearances a very good provider for his family. [redacted] has recently purchased a [redacted] recently purchased a [redacted] in which to conduct his business to the extent of which is explained in the attached exhibit. It is the personal opinion of the interviewer that [redacted] actually saw what he stated that he saw. It is difficult to believe that a man of [redacted] character and apparent integrity would state that he saw objects and write up a report to the extent that he did if he did not see them. To go further, if [redacted] can write a report of the character that he did while not having seen the objects that he claimed he saw, it is the opinion of the interviewer that [redacted] is in the wrong business, that he should be writing Buck Rogers fiction. [redacted] is very outspoken and somewhat bitter in his opinions of the leaders of the U.S. Army Air Forces and the Federal Bureau of Investigation for not having made an investigation of this matter sooner. To put all of the statements made by [redacted] in this report would make it a voluminous volume. However, after having checked an aeronautical map of the area over which [redacted] claims that he saw the objects it was determined that all statements made by [redacted] in regard to the distances involved, speed of the objects, course of the objects and size of the objects, could very possibly be facts. The distances mentioned by [redacted] in his report are within a short distance of the actual distances on aeronautical charts of this area, although [redacted] has never consulted aeronautical charts of the type the Army uses. [redacted] stated that his business had suffered greatly since his report on July 25 due to the fact that at every stop on his business routes, large groups of people were waiting to question him as to just what he had seen. [redacted] stated further that if he, at any time in the future, saw anything in the sky, to quote [redacted] directly, "if I saw a ten story building

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flying through the air I would never say a word about it", due to the fact that he has been ridiculed by the press to such an extent that he is practically a moron in the eyes of the majority of the population of the United States.

1 Incl: Exhibit "A"

FRANK M. BROWN, S/A, CIC 4th AF

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COPY LIFE DATA OF [redacted]

I was born [redacted]. My father's name was [redacted] my mother's maiden name was [redacted] I was a resident of Minnesota until I was six years old when my family moved to Scobey, Montana, where they homesteaded. My grandfather, [redacted] also homesteaded in Scobey, Montana, and became quite prominent in political circles along with [redacted], the famous [redacted] b6

I went to grade school and high school at Minot, North Dakota. I entered scouting at twelve years of age and achieved the rank of Eagle scout before I was fourteen. My former scout executive was [redacted] now a [redacted] for the Boy Scouts in Kansas City, Kansas.

As a boy, I was interested in athletics and was [redacted] I entered the U. S. Olympic trials in [redacted] I taught swimming and diving at scout camps and the municipal pool in Minot, North Dakota. I went to the University of Minnesota, where I swam and did fancy diving under [redacted] b6 and also played football under [redacted] but upon entering college I was unable to continue my football career because of an injured knee. My high school football coach was [redacted], who is now the [redacted]. I had little or no finances, and my ambition in furthering my education in college was through my athletics. As a boy in Minot, North Dakota, I did a good deal of dog sled racing, [redacted]

In 1938 I went to work for [redacted], a manufacturer of automatic fire fighting apparatus. In 1939 I was made [redacted] for them over a part of the western states, and in 1940 I established my own [redacted] I have been working as an [redacted] b6

My flying experience started as a boy in Minot, North Dakota, where I took my first flying lesson from [redacted] who was originally from Great Falls, Montana. Due to the high cost at that time, I was unable to continue my flying and did not fly of any great consequence until 1943. I was given my pilot certificate by [redacted] senior CAA inspector of Portland, Oregon, and for the last [redacted] covering my entire territory with same and flying from forty to one hundred hours per month since. Due to the fact that I use an airplane entirely in my work, in January of this year I purchased a [redacted] airplane, which is an airplane designed for high altitude take-offs and short rough field use. b6

In the type of flying I do, it takes a great deal of practice and judgment to be able to land in most any cow pasture and get out without injuring your airplane; the runways are very limited and the altitude is very high in some of the fields and places I have to go in my work. To date, I have landed in 823 cow pastures in mountain meadows, and in over a thousand hours a flat tire has been my greatest mishap.

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The following story of what I observed over the Cascade mountains, as impossible as it may seem, is positively true. I never asked nor wanted any notoriety for just accidently being in the right spot at the right time to observe what I did. I reported something that I know any pilot would have reported. I don't think that in any way my observation was due to any sensivity of eye sight or judgment than what is considered normal for any pilot.

On June 24th, Tuesday, 1947, I had finished my work for the [redacted] b6 [redacted] at Chehalis, Washington, and at about two o'clock I took off from Chehalis, Washington, airport with the intention of going to Yakima, Wash. My trip was delayed for an hour to search for a large marine transport that supposedly went down near or around the southwest side of Mt. Rainier in the state of Washington and to date has never been found.

I flew directly toward Mt. Rainier after reaching an altitude of about 9,500 feet, which is the approximate elevation of the high plateau from which Mt. Rainier rises. I had made one sweep of this high plateau to the westward, searching all of the various ridges for this marine ship and flew to the west down and near the ridge side of the canyon where Ashford, Washington, is located.

Unable to see anything that looked like the lost ship, I made a 360 degree turn to the right and above the little city of Mineral, starting again toward Mt. Rainier. I climbed back up to an altitude of approximately 9,200 feet.

The air was so smooth that day that it was a real pleasure flying and, as most pilots do when the air is smooth and they are flying at a higher altitude, I trimmed out my airplane in the direction of Yakima, Washington, which was almost directly east of my position and simply sat in my plane observing the sky and the terrain.

There was a DC-4 to the left and to the rear of me approximately fifteen miles distance, and I should judge, at 14,000 foot elevation.

The sky and air was as clear as crystal. I hadn't flown more than two or three minutes on my course when a bright flash reflected on my airplane. It startled me as I thought I was too close to some other aircraft. I looked every place in the sky and couldn't find where the reflection had come from until I looked to the left and the north of Mt. Rainier where I observed a chain of nine peculiar looking aircraft flying from north to south at approximately 9,500 feet elevation and going, seemingly, in a definite direction of about 170 degrees.

They were approaching Mt. Rainier very rapidly, and I merely assumed they were jet planes. Anyhow, I discovered that this was where the reflection had come from, as two or three of them every few seconds would dip or change their course slightly, just enough for the sun to strike them at an angle that reflected brightly on my plane.

These objects being quite far away, I was unable for a few seconds to make out their shape or their formation. Very shortly they approached Mt. Rainier, and I observed their outline against the snow quite plainly.

I thought it was very peculiar that I couldn't find their tails but assumed they were some type of jet plane. I was determined to clock their speed, as I had two definite points I could clock them by; the air was so clear that it was very easy to see objects and determine their approximate shape and size at almost fifty miles that day.

I remember distinctly that my sweep second hand on my eight day clock, which is located on my instrument panel, read one minute to 3 P.M. as the first object of this formation passed the southern edge of Mt. Rainier. I watched these objects with great interest as I had never before observed

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airplanes flying so close to the mountain tops, flying directly south to southeast down the hog's back of a mountain range. I would estimate their elevation could have varied a thousand feet one way or another up or down, but they were pretty much on the horizon to me which would indicate they were near the same elevation as I was.

They flew like many times I have observed geese to fly in a rather diagonal chain-like line as if they were linked together. They seemed to hold a definite direction but rather swerved in and out of the high mountain peaks. Their speed at the time did not impress me particularly, because I knew that our army and air forces had planes that went very fast.

What kept bothering me as I watched them flip and flash in the sun right along their path was the fact that I couldn't make out any tail on them, and I am sure that any pilot would justify more than a second look at such a plane.

I observed them quite plainly, and I estimate my distance from them, which was almost at right angles, to be between twenty to twenty-five miles. I knew they must be very large to observe their shape at that distance, even on as clear a day as it was that Tuesday. In fact I compared a zeus fastener or cowling tool I had in my pocket with - holding it up on them and holding it up on the DC-4 - that I could observe at quite a distance to my left, and they seemed smaller than the DC-4; but, I should judge their span would have been as wide as the furtherest engines on each side of the fuselage of the DC-4.

The more I observed these objects, the more upset I became, as I am accustomed and familiar with most all objects flying whether I am close to the ground or at higher altitudes. I observed the chain of these objects passing another high snow-covered ridge in between Mt. Rainier and Mt. Adams, and as the first one was passing the south crest of this ridge the last object was entering the northern crest of the ridge.

As I was flying in the direction of this particular ridge, I measured it and found it to be approximately five miles so I could safely assume that the chain of these saucer like objects were at least five miles long. I could quite accurately determine their pathway due to the fact that there were several high peaks that were a little this side of them as well as higher peaks on the other side of their pathway.

As the last unit of this formation passed the southern most high snow-covered crest of Mt. Adams, I looked at my sweep second hand and it showed that they had travelled the distance in one minute and forty-two seconds. Even at the time this timing did not upset me as I felt confident after I would land there would be some explanation of what I saw.

A number of news men and experts suggested that I might have been seeing reflections or even a mirage. This I know to be absolutely false, as I observed these objects not only through the glass of my airplane but turned my airplane sideways where I could open my window and observe them with a completely unobstructed view. (Without sun glasses)

Even though two minutes seems like a very short time to one on the ground, in the air in two minutes time a pilot can observe a great many things and anything within his sight of vision probably as many as fifty or sixty times.

I continued my search for the marine plane for another fifteen or twenty minutes and while searching for this marine plane, what I had just observed kept going through my mind. I became more disturbed, so after taking a last look at Tieton Reservoir I headed for Yakima.

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I might add that complete observation of these objects, which I could even follow by their flashes as they passed Mt. Adams, was around two and one-half or three minutes -- although, by the time they reached Mt. Adams they were out of my range of vision as far as determining shape or form. Of course, when the sun reflected from one or two or three of these units, they appeared to be completely round; but, I am making a drawing to the best of my ability, which I am including, as to the shape I observed these objects to be as they passed the snow covered ridges as well as Mt. Rainier.

When these objects were flying approximately straight and level, they were just a black thin line and when they flipped was the only time I could get a judgment as to their size.

These objects were holding an almost constant elevation; they did not seem to be going up or to be coming down, such as would be the case of rockets or artillery shells. I am convinced in my own mind that they were some type of airplane, even though they didn't conform with the many aspects of the conventional type of planes that I know.

Although these objects have been reported by many other observers throughout the United States, there have been six or seven other accounts written by some of these observers that I can truthfully say must have observied the same thing that I did; particularly, the descriptions of the three Western Air Lines Cedar City, Utah employees, the (pilot) gentleman from Oklahoma City and the locomotive engineer in Illinois, plus [redacted] and Co-Pilot [redacted] of United Air Lines.

Some descriptions could not be very accurate taken from the ground unless these saucer-like disks were at quite a great height and there is a possiblity that all of the people who observed peculiar objects could have seen the same thing I did; but, it would have been very difficult from the ground to observe these for more than four or five seconds, and there is always the possibility of atmospheric moisture and dust near the ground which could distort one's vision. b6

I have in my possession letters from all over the United States and people who profess that these objects have been observed over other portions of the world, principally Sweden, Bermuda, and California.

I would have given almost anything that day to have had a movie camera with a telephoto lens and from now on I will never be without one -- but, to continue further with my story. When I landed at the Yakima, Wash., airport I described what I had seen to my very good friend, Al Baxter, who listened patiently and was very courteous but in a joking way didn't believe me.

I did not accurately measure the distance between these two mountains until I landed at Pendleton, Oregon, that same day where I told a number of pilot friends of mine what I had observed and they did not scoff or laugh but suggested they might be guided missiles or something new. In fact several former Army pilots informed me that they had been briefed before going into combat overseas that they might see objects of similar shape and design as I described and assured me that I wasn't dreaming or going crazy.

I quote [redacted] a former Army Air Forces pilot who is now [redacted], "What you observed, I am convinced, is some type of jet or rocket propelled ship that is in the process of being tested by our government or even it could possibly be by some foreign government. b6

Anyhow, the news that I had observed these spread very rapidly and before night was over I was receiving telephone calls from all parts of the world; and, to date I have not received one telephone call or one letter of scoffing or disbelief. The only disbelief that I know of was what was printed in the papers.

I look at this whole ordeal as not something funny as some people have made it out to be. To me it is mighty serious and since I evidently did

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observe something that at least Mr. John Doe on the street corner or Pete Andrews on the ranch has never heard about, is no reason that it does not exist. Even though I openly invited an investigation by the Army and the FBI as to the authenticity of my story or a mental or a physical examination as to my capabilities, I have received no interest from those two important protective forces of our country; I will go so far as to assume that any report I gave to the United and Associated Press and over the radio on two different occasions which apparently set the nation buzzing, if our Military Intelligence was not aware of what I observed, they would be the very first people that I could expect as visitors.

I have received lots of requests from people who told me to make a lot of wild guesses. I have based what I have written here in this article on positive facts and as far as guessing what it was I observed, it is just as much a mystery to me as it is to the rest of the world.

My pilot's license is [redacted] I fly a [redacted] it is a three-place single engine land ship that is designed and manufactured at Afton, Wyoming as an extremely high performance, high altitude airplane that was made for mountain work. The national certificate of my plane is [redacted]

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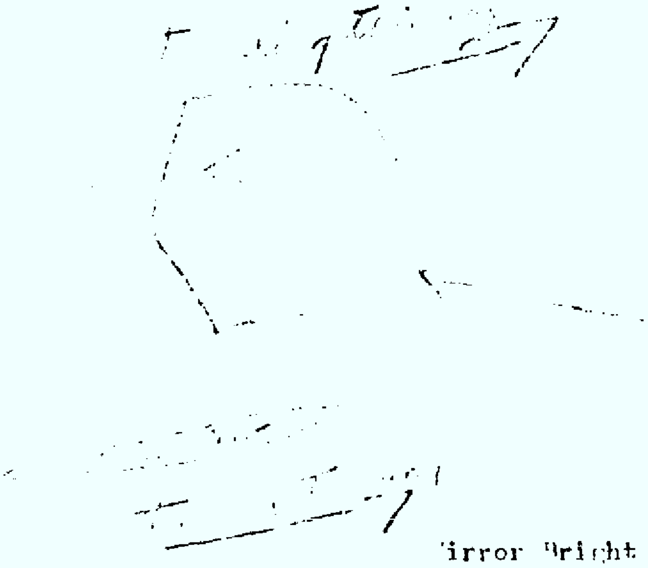
/s/ [redacted]



They seemed longer than wide, their thickness was about 1/20th of their width

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They did not appear to me to whirl or spin but seemed in fixed position,

traveling as I have made drawing. [redacted] b6

Incident
4AF 1208 I
16 July 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR THE OFFICER IN CHARGE:

1. On 12 July 1947, a call was made at the newspaper office of the "Idaho Daily Statesman", Boise, Idaho. The [redacted] of the paper, [redacted], was interviewed in regard to how well he knew [redacted] of Boise, Idaho, and as to the credibility of any statement made by [redacted]. The purpose of this interview was an attempt to verify statements made by [redacted] on 26 June 1947, to various national news services to the effect that he, [redacted] had seen 9 objects flying in the air above the Cascade Mountain Range of Washington. These objects were subsequently referred to as flying saucers or flying disks and will here-in-after be referred to as such in this report. [redacted] stated that he had known [redacted] for quite a period of time, having had relations with [redacted] on various occasions, due to the fact that both he, [redacted] and [redacted] were private fliers and frequently got together to talk shop. [redacted] stated that as far as he was concerned anything [redacted] said could be taken very seriously and that he, [redacted] actually believed that Mr. Arnold had seen the aforementioned flying disks. [redacted] stated that after [redacted] reported having seen the flying disks, that the editor of the paper had assigned him, [redacted] the assignment of taking the airplane belonging to the newspaper and exhausting all efforts to prove or disprove the probability of flying disks having been seen in the northwest area. The results of this assignment to [redacted] and what he subsequently saw is put forth in a sworn statement signed by [redacted] attached to this report as Exhibit B. b6

AGENT'S NOTES: [redacted] is a man of approximately 33 to 35 years of age. From all appearances he is a very reserved type of person. [redacted] has logged 2300 hours of flying time in various types of airplanes up to and including multi-engine aircraft. During part of the war years, [redacted] was the [redacted] being assigned to the Twentieth USAAF and stationed on Tinian Island, in the Pacific. It is the personal opinion of the interviewer that [redacted] actually saw what he states that he saw in the attached report. It is also the opinion of the interviewer that [redacted] would have much more to lose than gain and would have to be very strongly convinced that he actually saw something before he would report such an incident and open himself for the ridicule that would accompany such a report. b6

1 Incl: Exhibit "B"

FRANK M. BROWN, S/A, CIC 4th AF

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Statement of [redacted] b6
at Boise, Idaho, July 12, 1947

To Whom It May Concern:

On the sixth day of July, 1947, I received from [redacted] of the Statesman Newspapers, incorporated in Idaho as The Statesman Printing company, an assignment which was in substance: b6

"Conduct an aerial search of the northwest states in an effort to see and photograph a flying disc. Conduct this patrol for so long a time as you believe reasonable, or until you see a flying disc."

In accordance to these instructions, I took the Statesman's airplane, and with [redacted] as passenger, flew a seven and one-half hour mission on the seventh day of July, 1947. This mission was without result. It covered an area embracing the confines of the Hanford plant in Washington, and territory between and around Mt. Rainier and Mt. Adams, where [redacted] first reported seeing objects henceforth described as saucers or discs. b6

On the eighth day of July, 1947, I took an AT-6 of the 190th Fighter squadron, Idaho National Guard, of which I am a member, and flew to northern Idaho, into northwestern Montana briefly, to Spokane, Washington, and back to Boise by way of Walla Walla, Washington, and Pendleton, Oregon. This search also was negative.

On the ninth day of July, 1947, I continued the search, again using a national guard AT-6, this time centering my efforts over the Owyhee mountains west and southwest of Boise, a portion of the Mountain Home desert on a track southeast of the Mountain Home army air base, thence into the Sawtooth mountains, and back in the general direction of Boise on a line carrying me well to the north of the Shafer butte forest service lookout station, into the Horseshoe Bend area, and thence back in a southwesterly direction to a point between Boise and the village of Meridian, west of Boise a few miles.

During this search, which lasted approximately two and one-half hours, I flew under and around rapidly forming cumulus clouds over that area known as the Camas Prairie, east of Boise. The clouds were near the village of Fairfield in that valley, and Fairfield is 75 miles airline distance east of Boise. At that time I saw nothing in the vicinity of these clouds.

At the time I reached the point between Boise and Meridian, I was flying at an altitude of 14,000 feet mean sea level, which would be a mean average of 11,000 feet above the earth in this area, not considering errors in the altimeter induced either by barometric changes since my takeoff, or by the temperature at that altitude.

I turned the aircraft on an easterly heading, pointing toward Gowen Field, and had flown on that course for perhaps a minute when there suddenly appeared in the left hand portion of my field of vision an object which was black and round.

I immediately centered my gaze on the object. At that time, due to its erratic movement, I thought I was seeing a weather balloon. I called the CAA's communication station at Boise, and asked if the weather station had recently released a balloon. The reply from communicator Albertson was that the bureau had not. I do not remember his exact words; I am under the impression he said "not for several hours" or gave me the exact time of the previous release, which was around 03:30 that day.

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Upon hearing this response, I turned the aircraft broadside to the object, pulled back the plexiglass covering to avoid any distortion, took my camera from the map case, and exposed about 10 seconds' duration of eight millimeter motion picture film. During the time the camera was at eye level, I could not see the object because of minuteness of scope introduced by the optical view finder with which the camera, an f.1.9 Eastman, was equipped.

Taking the camera away and once again centering my gaze on the object, I observed it to roll so that its edge was presented to me. At this time it flashed once in the sunlight. It then appeared as a thin black line. It then performed a maneuver which looked as if it had begun a slow roll, or a barrel roll, which instead of being completed, was broken off at about the 180-degree point. The object rolled out of the top of the maneuver at this point, and I lost sight of it.

This entire performance was observed against the background of clouds previously forming over the Camas Prairie. The object appeared to me, relatively, as the size of a twenty-five cent piece. I do not know how far away it was. I do not know, nor can I truthfully estimate its speed. I can only say it was not an airplane, and if it was at a very great distance from me, its speed was great, taking into consideration that apparent speed is reduced to the viewer if an object is a very great distance away.

I forgot to look at my clock to determine the exact time I saw the object. The CAA's log of radio contacts shows my first contact to have been made at 12:17 hours. But a few seconds elapsed between the time I first saw the object, and the time I called the CAA's station.

I subsequently related over the radio a description of what I saw, and communicator [redacted] may remember it. The control tower may have a recording of the conversation. I have not checked to determine. b6

The purpose of my relating over the air what I saw was to enable rapid transmission of the report to the newspaper, for at that time I was on assignment and my energies thenceforth were devoted to (1) transmitting the information and (2) conducting a further search, which I did after landing for fuel and to make some telephone calls.

The next search, begun within half an hour after landing from the first one, consumed another two hours, but was negative. I explored thoroughly the region where I saw the object.

Immediately after sighting the object, I asked if there were other aircraft in the area. There was a P-51 of the 190th squadron practicing maneuvers in the vicinity of Luna, but that was behind me. A C-46 passed over Boise, but I saw that aircraft go beneath me by some 2,000 feet. The P-51 in the vicinity of Luna proceeded to the area where I saw the object, at my request, and conducted a search. It was negative. During the afternoon, flights of P-51s were sent out to cover the area, and some of them flew high altitude missions on oxygen. These searches were negative.

I was subsequently informed that personnel on both the United Air Lines side of Gowen field, and on the national guard side, observed a black object manouvering in front of the same cloud formation, which by now had grown so that the clouds reached a probable height of 19,000 or 20,000 feet from a mean base of 13,500 or 14,000 feet, mean sea level. Three of these men were national guard personnel and I talked to them,

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asking them to describe what they saw, before telling them my story, in order to avoid suggestion or inference of a leading nature. They saw the object (from the ground) while I was on my second search. They believed the time to have been 14:00 hours. The object performed in the same erratic manner, they said, as I observed.

The above is the extent of the story, and information concerning myself is now in order.

I have approximately 2600 hours of flying time in equipment ranging from primary trainers to B-29s. Of course, that does not increase my powers of observation except as to those practiced daily by an airman. It does not make my eyesight any sharper except again as to the incidental demands upon the eyes of a pilot.

At the time of the experience related above, I had flown fourteen and one-half hours on an assignment to find a disc and if possible, to photograph it. In all frankness, I was tired. I may have been suffering, although slightly, from want of oxygen.

Prior to sighting the object, I had concluded there was no point in pressing the search, that I probably would never see the disc-like objects referred to by [redacted] and by [redacted] of United Air Lines.

At all times during the search, both on that day and the two preceeding days (particularly when I was with [redacted] I had literally talked to myself to keep beating into my head that I would not fall victim to the power of suggestion or self-hypnosis arising from a naturally very intent desire to find a disc and bring success to the assignment given me. b6

I therefore do not believe that I was the victim of suggestion or hypnosis. I am familiar with the optical illusion of a fixed object beginning to move after it is watched a sufficient length of time. I know what tricks the eyes will play as to moving-bodies, and have learned of this particularly during night formation flying.

I saw the object appear suddenly. If it had moved in a jerky fashion (as it did at first) for the full length of time I observed it, I would not be so strong in saying that I saw something not an aircraft, not a balloon, and not a corpuscle moving across the retina of either eye. The maneuver described by the object when its edge was presented to me convinces me that I saw an object actually performing in an erratic flight path. b6

The question remains, of course, whether I saw it. The motion picture film, developed and processed by [redacted] in the Eastman laboratories at 241 Battery Street, San Francisco, showed no trace of any object. [redacted] says that if it was more than a mile distant from me at the size I described, the object would not have registered sufficiently on the film to be shown. He said it probably was too far away to be apparent even through great enlargement of the negative, and enlargement in that case is limited because of the size of the film and the fact I did not have any telescopic equipment on the lens. The exposure was f.16, stop set at infinity, at a speed of 16 frames per second. b6

I have worried over this matter a great deal since seeing it. I "took myself aside" and said, "come now, [redacted], don't be stupid." But I cannot bring myself to the point of thinking I did not see anything. The impression of the moment was too vivid, too realistic, and I knew in the air when I saw that partial slow roll or barrel roll, that I was not a victim of illusion.

I trust this matter will be of help to those investigating the flying disc phenomena which have been reported.

A chart is attached depicting the movements of the object as I

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saw it.

This statement is made voluntarily and freely, in response to the request of Mr. Brown and Captain Davidson, who called on me this morning.

/s/ [redacted] b6

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a notary public, this 12th

day of July , 1947.

/ [redacted] b6

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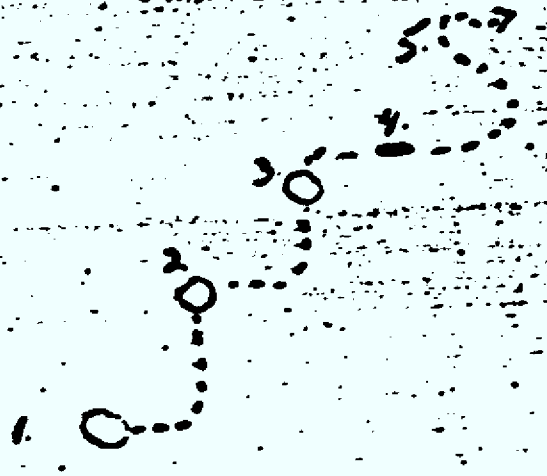
Chart to which reference is made on page six, statement of [redacted] 66



This design portrays the movements of the object to which reference is made in the attached statement. At all times the object appeared as black. Positions (1), (2) and (3) show the jerky, rising motion. Position (4) is where the object rolled, presenting its edge to me. It then followed the dotted line, rolling over the top of the maneuver and disappearing at position (5).

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Incident
4AF 1208 I
16 July 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR THE OFFICER IN CHARGE:

1. On 12 July 1947, [redacted] of the United Airlines, was interviewed at the Boise Municipal Airport, Boise, Idaho. [redacted] was passing through Boise on a schedule flight at the time and had a 20 minute stop-over. [redacted] reiterated the statements originally made by him to the press as to what he had seen in the late evening of July 4th, when 8 minutes out of Boise on the route to Seattle, Washington. It is the opinion of the interviewer that due to the position [redacted] occupies, that he, [redacted] would have to be very strongly convinced that he actually saw flying disks before he would open himself for the ridicule attached to a report of this type. b6

FRANK M. BROWN ,S/A, CIC 4TH AF

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Incident
4AF 1208 I
14 July 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR THE OFFICER IN CHARGE:

1. On 10 July 1947, a check was made at the following locations in Palm Springs, California for the purpose of trying to locate [redacted] Palm Springs Police Department, Palm Springs Newspaper, "The Desert Sun", Palm Springs Water Company, Southern California Gas Company, Palm Springs Telephone Company, Palm Springs Employment Office, b6 Palm Springs Chamber of Commerce, Royal Palms Hotel, 5 Palm Springs real estate offices, and the City Offices of Palm Springs including waste disposal, water rights, tax records and etc. No record of [redacted] existed in any of the above mentioned offices.

2. On 11 July 1947, [redacted] of Palm Springs, California for the past 14 years was interviewed. [redacted] stated that he had lived in Palm Springs for the past 24 years and that he was unaware b6 if a person named [redacted] had ever lived in Palm Springs. [redacted] stated that due to the fact that Palm Springs is a resort area and due to the fact that in the summer months only 3 to 5 thousand people resided in Palm Springs, whereas in the winter months 10 to 12 thousand resided in Palm Springs, it was very possible that [redacted] could have lived in Palm Springs more or less on a non-permanent status and he, [redacted] not being aware of it.

A check of General Delivery records revealed a letter addressed to [redacted] Palm Springs, mailed from Cicero, Indiana, postmarked b6 at Cicero, Indiana, July 1947, at 5 P.M. The return address on the envelope was listed as the [redacted] Cicero, Indiana. [redacted] permitted the contents of the envelope to be examined inasmuch as the contents was 3rd Class material and the envelope not sealed. The records were of a religious nature concerning the sad plight of American non-church goers, the second coming of Christ and etc. [redacted] was contacted by [redacted] and stated that there was a [redacted] who had received mail through the general delivery office of the Palm Springs Post Office, but that the last mail, other than the letter mentioned above, came through the Post Office approximately two years ago. The [redacted] seemed to have a very uncanny memory and recalled where the mail coming in for [redacted] had been addressed to. This mail was b6 addressed to [redacted] in care of a trailer camp located in Palm Springs. On calling the trailer camp office, it was found that [redacted] had lived in the camp but departed approximately two years ago and left no forwarding address. Investigation is continuing in an effort to locate [redacted] and obtain a statement from him.

FRANK M. [illegible],S/A, CIC 4th AF

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FLYING DISCS
4AF-1208-I
15 July 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR THE OFFICER IN CHARGE:

On 15 July 1947, [redacted] 467th b6 AAF BU (ORD), Squadron A, Hamilton Field, California, was interviewed and stated as follows: [redacted] has been in the Army ten years and two months, twenty-six months overseas duty in the ETO, and has been i the Air Corps for about ten months. [redacted] stated that on 8 July 1947, he was going to Base Cleaners from his office and was passing along the sidewalk near the barracks of the ORD when he saw five or si men pointing toward the sky, but as he was use to this around an Army Air Base, he paid no further attention to it until a lieutenant and a captain ahead of him stopped and pointed in the same direction. He stated that on glancing up he saw three objects traveling northeast across the sky. Two seemed to be traveling faster than an ordinary flight of P-80s and he estimated the altitude between 8-10,000 feet b6 and approximately 7-10 miles away. [redacted] stated that the two objects in the lead appeared to be round and of a very light gray color while the object in the rear seemed to be either rotating or rolling behind the other two. [redacted] stated that from a distance he could not tell exactly the shape of the one which was rolling as it appeared to be turning over and he couldn't tell whether the object was flat. The only means he had of identifying it was the fact that it seemed to get brighter and darker as it appeared to roll. The objects were in sight approximately four seconds. As he was in a hurry, he did not sto to talk to the other men but he heard one of them remark that the one i the rear was certainly rolling fast. [redacted] was unable to identif any of the other men in the group who were reported to have seen the object. [redacted] stated that it was unlike anything he had ever seen and b that he has been trying to convince himself that it was an optical illusion, and yet at the same time he is certain that he saw the object as described. (See Exhibit I).

NOTE: [redacted] appears to be intelligent and is a reserved sort of person. He was very reluctant to discuss the subject at first and appeared hesitant prompted by the possibility that he might be ridiculed He seemed to be honest and sincere in what he stated he saw, and said frankly he was puzzled over the matter. A signed statement by [redacted] [redacted] is attached.

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Exhibit I.

WILLIAM L. DAVIDSON, Capt, AC, OIC CI, 4AF

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
New York, N. Y.

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September 4, 1947

Director, FBI

Attention: FBI Laboratory

Re: Mrs. [redacted] Informant b7c

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated July 21, 1947, addressed to Mrs. [redacted] Hicksville, Long Island, New York, a copy of which was sent to the New York Office.

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Mrs. [redacted] was interviewed by Special Agent [redacted] on August 12, 1947, at which time she advised that this coded message had appeared in "Newsday," the local newspaper of Nassau and Suffolk County, Long Island, New York. She stated that the message had appeared in the "County Irritant," a feature of this paper, and had been signed "Radio Ham."

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Mr. [redacted] of "Newsday," Hempstead, New York, was interviewed and advised that this article had been sent to the newspaper by letter which was signed "Radio Ham," and explained that he had no way of determining the identity of the writer. Mr. [redacted] stated that it was his opinion that the code had been made up by some local "screwball" who had been affected by all of the newspaper publicity that had been given at that time to the story about flying discs.

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There is enclosed an article appearing in the July 12th issue of "Newsday" concerning this coded message, which might be of interest in this matter.

Unless advised to the contrary, no further effort is being made to establish the identity of the person who signed himself "Radio Ham."

Very truly yours,

Edward Scheidt

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SAC

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : [redacted]

FROM : [redacted] b7c

DATE: 9/17/47

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SUBJECT: Mrs. [redacted]
Informant

You will recall that a letter was received from the above captioned individual dated July 10, 1947, in which she inclosed a newspaper clipping signed "Radio Ham." This newspaper clipping contained a coded message which Mrs. [redacted] decoded. The FBI Laboratory checked Mrs. [redacted] decoding of this message and advised that it was substantially correct. The Laboratory's decoding of the message is being set forth below: b7c

> "TIRED OF HUMAN NONSENSE WONT AWAIT ATOMIC WAR DISRUPTING ORDER SOLAR SYSTEM SO SENT FLYING DISKS AND WILL SET UP WORLD ORDER UNDER MARTIANS LATE THIS YEAR."

The New York Office was asked to interview Mrs. [redacted] to determine from what newspaper the clipping in question was obtained. They were further instructed to contact this newspaper in an effort to ascertain the identity of the person who sent in the coded message, in order that the person might be interviewed for information concerning the alleged receipt of the coded message. b7c

By letter dated September 4, 1947, the New York Office advised that they had ascertained from Mrs. [redacted] that the coded message had appeared in "Newsday," the local newspaper of Nassau and Suffolk County, Long Island, New York. The City Editor of this newspaper stated that the original had been signed only "Radio Ham" and knew of no way of determining the identity of the writer. It was the City Editor's opinion that the code had been made up by some local "screwball" who had been affected by all of the newspaper publicity that had been given to stories concerning "flying discs." b7c

The FBI Laboratory has now advised that the FCC maintains their amateur records by a geographical breakdown as well as by call letters and that the Laboratory could possibly get the names of all amateurs in the Bellmore, Long Island, New York Section in the event it is desired that another attempt be made to identify the person who sent this coded message to the "Newsday."

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RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that no further action be taken in connection with this matter in view of the opinion expressed by the City Editor of the "Newsday" that the letter received by him signed "Radio Ham" was from some local "screwball."

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7/12/47 Newsday

COUNTY IRRITANT

from our Mail Box

Coming His Way

Merrick—Out all day yesterday looking for a house to rent, but no luck. I got so disgusted I ended up in a tavern and got lit. When I got home and went in the house I SAW FLYING SAUCERS IN AIR!

—No Foolin.

Garbles

Westbury—Bellmore Radio Ham's message seems to be from some gentleman occupying an Olympian height. As with many of these erudite souls, the sender cannot resist including a few "garbles" in his code. Or is our Ham guilty? Here is your message: TIRED OF HUMAN NONSENSE WONT AWAIT ATOMIC WAR DISTURBING SOLAR SYSTEM SO SENT FLYING DISKS AND WILL SET UP WORLD UNDER MARTIANS LATE THIS YEAR.

—Simple transposition. Hope all your readers are appropriately warned.

—Stephen M. Schuster.

(Other ungarblers got "outlaw" (ATLAW) instead of "await," "disrupting" instead of "disturbing." Miss Rita Flood of Port Washington expects the world order to be set up under "minister." Is Radio Ham satisfied?—Ed.)

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Mr. Tracy
Mr. Egan
Mr. Gurnea
Mr. Harbo

FBI SALT LAKE CITY 9" 9-10-47 9-55 AM MST

DIRECTOR

b7c [redacted]

H.......URGENT....

FLYING DISCS. NEWS ITEM IN SALT LAKE TRIBUNE OF TENTH INSTANT REFLECTS THAT EIGHT DIFFERENT PEOPLE AT LOGAN, UTAH REPORTED SEEING THREE DIFFERENT FLIGHTS OF FLYING DISCS BETWEEN TEN FORTY AND ELEVEN TEN PM MONDAY, EIGHTH INSTANT. INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED AND BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED.

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WASHINGTON FROM SFRAN S5 8-6-47 12-09 PM RN

DIRECTOR URGENT

b7c [redacted]

FLYING DISCS, SM - X. RE PORTLAND TELETYPE REFERENCING PHONE CALL FROM MR. LADD AT BUREAU ONE PM AUGUST FIFTH LAST. A-TWO SAN FRANCISCO UNABLE TO VERIFY. LT. COL. [redacted] A-TWO HAMILTON FIELD, IN CHARGE OF INVESTIGATION BY A-TWO IS THOUGHT BY A-TWO TO BE RETURNING FROM KELSO, WASHINGTON AREA HAVING GONE TO KELSO UPON LEARNING OF DEATHS OF AAF INVESTIGATORS MENTIONED IN REFERENCE TELETYPE. HE PLANNED, UPON DEPARTURE, TO OBTAIN RESULTS OF AAF INVESTIGATORS OR REINTERVIEW PERSONS MENTIONED IN REFERENCED TELETYPE. SPRINGER WILL BE CONTACTED UPON HIS RETURN AND ~~ADX~~ BUREAU ADVISED.

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FBI SEATTLE 8-12-47 [illegible]-05 PM PST KLS

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FLYING DISCS SIGHTED BY [redacted] AND [redacted], TACOMA, WN., SM DASH X . REMYTEL AUGUST SEVEN LAST. [redacted] UNITED AIRLINES PILOT, INTERVIEWED RE ASSOCIATIONS WITH [redacted] AND [redacted] IN TACOMA, WN., FROM JULY THIRTYONE TO AUGUST THIRD LAST. [redacted] HAS RECEIVED PREVIOUS PUBLICITY FOR HAVING SEEN FLYING DISCS OR SIMILAR OBJECTS ON JULY FOURTH LAST IN COMPANY WITH HIS CO-PILOT, [redacted], DURING ROUTINE UNITED AIRLINES FLIGHT OUT OF BOISE, IDAHO. [redacted] RELATES THAT HE WENT TO TACOMA, WN., FROM SEATTLE ON THURSDAY, JULY THIRTYONE LAST IN RESPONSE TO TELEPHONE CALL FROM [redacted] AT TACOMA. [redacted] CLAIMS HE HAD PREVIOUSLY MET ARNOLD ON TWO OCCASIONS, THE FIRST TIME ON JULY FIFTH LAST IN OFFICES OF SEATTLE POST- INTELLIGENCER WHERE BOTH WERE INTERVIEWED RE FLYING DISCS THEY HAD SEEN, AND ON SECOND OCCASION IN BOISE, IDAHO, ABOUT THREE WEEKS AGO WHILE HE, [redacted] WAS PASSING THROUGH ON ROUTINE FLIGHT. ON THIS LATTER OCCASION, [redacted] WAS IN COMPANY OF

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DIRECTOR AND SAC, CHICAGO AND BUTTE URGENT

FLYING DISKS SIGHTED BY [redacted] AND [redacted], TACOMA, [redacted] SM DASH X. REMYTEL AUGUST SIX, LAST CAPTIONED FLYING DISKS. [redacted] [redacted] AND [redacted] TACOMA, IN SIGNED STATEMENT INSTANT DATE STATE THAT IN EARLY PART OF JUNE, LAST, THEy PICKED UP SOME STRANGE ROCK FORMATIONS FROM A GRAVEL PIT, MAURI ISLAND, WASHINGTON. THEY STATE A CIGAR BOX OF THESE ROCK FORMATIONS THEY SENT TO [redacted] EDITOR OF [redacted] IN EVANSTON, ILLINOIS. THEY STATE [redacted] IS ALSO EDITOR OF [redacted] CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. THEY STATE THEY REQUESTE [redacted] ONLY TO MAKE A CHEMICAL ANALYSIS OF THE ROCK FORMATION. [redacted] AND [redacted] STATE [redacted] LATER WROTE ASKING FOR ADDITIONAL SAMPLES STATING HE HAD BEEN UNABLE TO ANALYZE THE MATERIAL. [redacted] AND [redacted] STATE [redacted] A FEW DAYS AFTER THE FLYING DISK STORIES STARTED THE LATTE PART OF JUNE, LAST, CONTACTED THEM BY PHONE AT TACOMA, WASHINGTON, SAYING HE WOULD PAY FOR AN EXCLUSIVE STORY IF THE MATERIAL WHICH THEY HAD SENT HIM WAS FRAGMENTS OF A FLYING DISK. [redacted]TATES HE WROTE [redacted] A LETTER IN WHICH HE STATED THE MATERIAL WAS PART OF A FLYING DISK. [redacted] AND [redacted]DMIT THIS STATEMENT WAS ENTIRELY FALSE. [redacted] AND [redacted] STATE THEY WERE CALLED BY [redacted] BOISE, IDAHO TO MEET WITH HIM AT THE WHITHROP HOTEL, TACOMA, WASHINGTON, ON JULY THIRTYFIRST, LAST. THEY STATE [redacted] CALLED IN ARMY INTELLIGENCE OFFICERS FROM

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XXXXXXX [redacted] RELATES THAT HE AND [redacted] MADE SUBSEQUEST ATTEMPTS TO GO OUT TO MAURI ISLAND WITH [redacted] ON FRIDAY, SATURDAY AND SUNDAY, AUGUST FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD, BUT WERE PUT OFF BY [redacted] FOR VARIOUS REASONS, [redacted] STATES THAT REPORTER [redacted] OF TACOMA TIMES AND [redacted] OF UNITED PRESS OFFICE TACOMA INFORMED HIM AND [redacted] OF THE ANONYMOUS PHONE CALLS , AND FROM ACCCURACY OF THE INFO TRANSMITTED BY THESE ANONYMOUS CALLS, [redacted] BELIEVES THEY WERE MADE BY EITHER [redacted] [redacted]. [redacted] ADMITS CALLING HIS PERSONAL FRIEND [redacted] AVIATION EDITOR OF CHICAGO TIMES, ON FRIDAY, AUGUST FIRST LAST, TO INFORM HIM OR THE TACOMA INCIDENT AS PER A PREVIOUS AGREEMENT BETWEEN THEM THAT SMITH WOULD LET [redacted] IN ON ANY FLYING DISC STORIES WHICH HE MIGHT RUN INTO. [redacted] ALSO ADMITS THAT HE TOLD REPORTER [redacted] OF IDAHO STATESMAN IN TELEPHONE CONVERSATION SATURDAY NIGHT, AUGUST SECOND LAST, THAT CAPTAIN DAVIDSON AND LIEUTENANT BROWN WERE CARRYING FRAGMENTS WITH THEM ON THEIR FATAL FLIGHT. [redacted] SAYS THAT [redacted] TOLD HIM ON SATURDAY NITE AUGUAT SECOND LAST THAT HE, [redacted], IF CONTACTED BY THE ARMY OR OTHER AUTHORITIES WAS GOING TO SAY THAT THE ENTIRE STORY WAS A HOAX. [redacted] STATES THAT HE TOLD HIS COMPLETE STORY TO MAJOR [redacted] OF MCCORD FIELD, TACOMA, ON SUNDAY XX MORNING , AUGUST THIRD XX LAST, AND THAT [redacted] LEFT TACOMA. UNLESS ADVISED TO CONTRARY, [redacted] WHO ARE BOTH TACOMA NEWSPAPERMEN MENTIONED ABOVE, WILL NOT BE CONTACTED FOR VERIFICATION

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HAMILTON FIELD, CALIFORNIA, AND CAPTAIN [redacted] OF UNITED AIR LINES, SEATTLE, WASHINGTON TO ATTEND THE MEETING. [redacted] AND [redacted] CLAIM THEY TOLD THE INTELLIGENCE OFFICERS, CAPTAIN DAVIDSON AND LIEUTENANT BROWN, AS WELL AS [redacted] AND [redacted] EXACTLY HOW THEY GOT THE ROCK FORMATIONS AND THAT THEY HAD NO CONNECTION WITH ANY FLYING DISK. [redacted] AND [redacted] STATE THEY FURNISHED SOME OF THE ROCK FORMATION TO THE INTELLIGENT OFICERS AS SAMPLES. CAPTAIN DAVIDSON AND LIEUTEANT BROWN LEFT TACOMA, WASHINGTON IN A B TWENTY FIVE TO RETURN TO HAMILTON FIELD, CALIFORNIA ABOUT TWO THIRTY A. M. AUGUST ONE, LAST, AND WERE KILLED WHEN THEIR PLANE CRASHED AT KELSO, WASHINGTON, AFTER THE LEFT ENGINE b7 BURNED OUT AN EXHAUST STACK WHICH IN TURN CAUGHT THE LEFT WING ON FIRE AND IT BROKE OFF. THE CREW CHIEF AND EACH OFFICER PARACHUTED TO SAFETY. [redacted], ASSOCIATED PRESS WIREMAN, TACOMA, ADVISED THAT TWO OR THREE DAYS AFTER THE FLYING DISK STORIES STARTED, HE CONTACTED [redacted] TO CHECK A STORY THE SEATTLE POST INTELLIGENCER HAD GOTEN FROM THE FIRE CHIEF AT [redacted] WASHINGTON, TO THE EFFECT THAT [redacted] HAD SOME FLYING DISK FRAGMENTS. AT THIS TIME [redacted] ADMITTED TO [redacted] THE ENTIRE STORE WAS FALSE. [redacted] AND [redacted] STATE [redacted] WAS PAID BY [redacted] OF THE [redacted] AND POSSIBLY THE BOISE STATEMAN, NEWSPAPER, TO COME TO TACOMA, WASHINGTON AND OBTAIN A STORY FROM THEM REGARDING THE FLYING DISK FRAGMENTS. THEY FURTHER STATE THAT [redacted] HAD A

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FRIEND ON THE CHICAGO TIMES AND WAS POSSIBLY SELLING THE STORY TO THE CHICAGO TIMES THROUGH THIS FRIEND. A CHECK OF THE RECORDS AT THE WINTHROP HOTEL, TACOMA WHERE [redacted] HAD HIS ROOM, REFLECT THAT ON JULY THIRTY FIRST, LAST, [redacted] CALLED [redacted] AT A. N. [redacted] EVANSTON, ILLINOIS, COLLECT, AND ALSO CALLED [redacted] AT BOISE, IDAHO, COLLECT. ON AUGUST ONE, LAST, [redacted] CALLED [redacted]T DEARBORN [redacted] CHICAGO, COLLECT, AND [redacted]LLED [redacted] AT DEARBORN TWO THREE TWO THREE. ON JULY THIRTY FIRST AND AUGUST ONE, LAST, A TOTAL OF FIVE ANONYMOUS CALLS WERE RECEIVED BY A TACOMA TIMES REPORTER AND THE UNITED PRESS WIRE MAN AT TACOMA, GIVING INFORMATION REGARDING THE MEETING AT THE WINTHROP HOTEL OVER THE DISK FRAGMENTS AND STATING THAT THE B TWENTY FIVE HAD BEEN SHOT DOWN OR SABOTAGED WHICH KILLED CAPTAIN DAVIDSON AND LIEUTEANT BROWN INFERRING THAT THIS WAS DONE BECAUSE THE INTELLIGENCE OFFICERS WERE CARRYING DISK FRAGMENTS IN THEIR PLANE. [redacted]ND [redacted] STATE THESE CALLS COULD ONLY HAVE COME FROM THEMSELVES, [redacted], AND DENY THAT THEY MADE THE CALLS. NO RECORD OF THE CALLS AS HAVING BEEN MADE FROM [redacted] ROOM IN THE WINTHROP HOTEL CAN BE LOCATED. [redacted]ND [redacted] ARE EVASIVE AS TO JUST WHAT INFORMATION THEY DID FURNISH BY PHONE OR LETTER TO [redacted] [redacted] UNITED PRESS WIRE MAN , TACOMA, WASHINGTON, STATE IT APPEARS THE BOISE STATEMAN-S PAPER AND [redacted] HAVE

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BEEN PUSHING THE PUBLICITY ON THE FLYING DISK STORIES. [redacted] STATES THAT [redacted] WAS EITHER THE FIRST OR ONE OF THE FIRST TO CLAIM HE HAD SEEN FLYING DISKS. [redacted] AND [redacted] STATE THAT [redacted] ADMITTED RECEIVING MONEY FROM [redacted] TO COME TO TACOMA TO CHECK THE DISK STORY. UNLESS ADVISED TO THE CONTRARY BY THE BUREAU, THE BUTTE OFFICE AT BOISE, IDAHO, WILL OBTAIN ALL INFORMATION REGARDING THE CONNECTION BETWEEN THE BOISE STATEMAN-S PAPER AND [redacted]. WILL INTERVIEW [redacted], BOISE FOR WHAT INFORMTI HE HAS AS TO THE ABOVE FACTS AND WHAT INFORATION HE FURNISHED [redacted] AND THE BOISE STATEMAN REGARDING THE TACOMA MEETING AND THE SABOTAGE OF THE B TWENTYFIVE. THE CHICAGO OFFICE AT CHICAGO WILL INTERVIEW [redacted] REGARDING HIS CONNECTIONS WITH [redacted] AND [redacted] AND [redacted] AND WHAT INFORMATION EACH FURNISHED TO HIM WILL ALSO ATTEMPT TO ASCERTAIN WHAT INFORMATION [redacted] FURNISHED THE CHICAGO TIMES. THE SEATTLE OFFICE AT SEATTLE WILL INTERVIEW [redacted] ALONG THESE SAME LINES. WILL ALSO ASCERTAIN WHAT INFORMATION THE [redacted] AT HARBOR, WASHINGTON OTAINED FROM [redacted]

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Mr. Ladd

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[redacted] b7c
Bieber, California

Dear [redacted] b7c

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter dated September 19, 1947, requesting information concerning the origin of the "Flying Saucer Mystery".

In this connection, you are advised that in view of a long established policy I am unable to furnish the results of investigations by this Bureau to other than Governmental sources. For this reason I regret that I am unable answer your question, but I appreciate your interest in writing to me in this regard.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Some are Rosters and lots of other things which look off color to me. Of course L.A. is a hot bed of Cults etc. For this to be read by the Public is rather startling.

I just that I would ask about this. I do not believe it myself. How could Germany and Japan do anything now they way they are policed and guarded?

Sincerely

[redacted] b7C

World War Nurse Overseas for three years and member of our Local Post A. Legion here.

[redacted] b7c
BIEBER, CALIFORNIA

Sept 19 - 1947

To
The F.B.I.
Washington D.C.
Dear Sir:-

Recently a little paper was handed to me called. Kingdom Voice - The march ahead of Time Printed in Los Angeles Cal Box 6450 Metropolitan Station office 1204 S. Hill St L.A. This is official publication of the Temple of Yahweh. Now, there is an article called The Flying Saucer Mystery. It states the the discs are sent by the Russians with the assistance of germany, Japan, China + others Sent from the North Pole. They are ugly planes flying very high. The Pilots are giant strong Negatives etc etc.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : D. M. LADD

FROM : [redacted] b7C

SUBJECT: FLYING SAUCERS AND FLYING DISCS

DATE: 8-8-47

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Reference is made to the memorandum to you from the Liaison Section dated July 21, 1947, setting forth a request from Colonel [redacted] of the Intelligence Division of the War Department for the Bureau to conduct investigation to determine the origin of the flying discs. b7C

OBSERVATIONS:

It is felt that the situation regarding these flying saucers and flying discs is very similar to the situation which was previously encountered by the Bureau during the past war in handling complaints arising out of the sighting of Japanese baloons. You will recall that at the inception of these complaints the Bureau conducted considerable investigation and located numerous baloons as a cooperative measure for the Army and that after considerable work had been done, the Army then informed that these were military weapons and that they would take over the handling of these completely. This they did and in an extremely short time issued a big press release as to the splendid work of the Army in locating these Japanese baloons. From the information available thus far, it does not appear that these discs should be treated other than as a military weapon. Certainly the Bureau has no way to determine what experiments the Army and Navy are conducting and whether such might be arising out of experiments being conducted by them nor do we have any way of determining how far the Russians have progressed in certain experiments and whether such might be the results of experiments by the Russian Army. It short, it would certainly appear that this is a military situation and should be handled strictly by military authorities.

In this connection it might be pointed out that our present Portland case arose out of the fact that two Army Intelligence officers were returning from an interview of two individuals who reportedly had seen flying discs. If the Army Intelligence officers are handling some of these interviews, it is believed that they should be handling all of these interviews, and it is not believed that the Bureau should be expending its precious manpower on these complaints which thus far have no connection with our Russian espionage program. The military authorities certainly are better equipped to know what they are looking for than we are and have more facilities for handling any material which it is necessary to examine as a result of its being reported as a remnant of a flying disc. It is believed that the Bureau is merely playing bird-dog for the Army by using our manpower to run out these complaints on flying discs.

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In view of the recent Bureau Bulletin #42 dated July [illegible], 1947, however, there is attached a letter to the Chicago Office asking that they conduct the requested investigation.

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TO : D. M. LADD

FROM : [redacted] b7c

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS

DATE: August 19, 1947

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Special Agent [redacted] of the Liaison Section, while discussing the above captioned phenomena with Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] of the Air Forces Intelligence, expressed the possibility that flying discs were, in fact, a very highly classified experiment of the Army or Navy. Mr. [redacted] was very much surprised when Colonel [redacted] not only agreed that this was a possibility, but confidentially stated it was his personal opinion that such was a probability. Colonel [redacted] indicated confidentially that a Mr. [redacted], who is a scientist attached to the Air Forces Intelligence, was of the same opinion.

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Colonel [redacted] stated that he based his assumption on the following: He pointed out that when flying objects were reported seen over Sweden, the "high brass" of the War Department exerted tremendous pressure on the Air Forces Intelligence to conduct research and collect information in an effort to identify these sightings. Colonel [redacted] stated that, in contrast to this, we have reported sightings of unknown objects over the United States, and the "high brass" appeared to be totally unconcerned. He indicated this led him to believe that they knew enough about these objects to express no concern. Colonel [redacted] pointed out further that the objects in question have been seen by many individuals who are what he terms "trained observers," such as airplane pilots. He indicated also that several of the individuals are reliable members of the community. He stated it is his conclusion that these individuals saw something. He stated the above has led him to come to the conclusion that there were objects seen which somebody in the Government knows all about.

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Mr. [redacted] pointed out to Colonel [redacted] that if it is a fact experimentations are being conducted by the United States Government, then it does not appear reasonable to request the FBI to spend money and precious time conducting inquiries with respect to this matter. Colonel [redacted] stated that he agreed with Mr. [redacted] in this regard and indicated that it would be extremely embarrassing to the Air Forces Intelligence if it later is learned that these flying discs are, in fact, an experiment of the United States Government.

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Mr. [redacted] subsequently discussed this matter with Colonel [redacted] of the Intelligence Division of the War Department. Colonel [redacted] stated that he had discussed the matter previously with General Chamberlin. Colonel [redacted] indicated to Mr. [redacted] that he has the assurance of General

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Chamberlin and General Todd that the Army is conducting no experimentations with anything which could possibly be mistaken for a flying disc.

Colonel [redacted] of the Air Forces Intelligence subsequently contacted Mr. [redacted] and indicated that he had discussed this matter with General Schulgen of the Army Air Forces. General Schulgen had previously assured both Mr. [redacted] that to the best of his knowledge and information no experiments were being undertaken by the Government which could be mistaken for flying discs. Colonel [redacted] indicated to Mr. [redacted] that he had pointed out his beliefs to General Schulgen and had mentioned the possibility of an embarrassing situation arising between the Air Forces Intelligence and the FBI. General Schulgen agreed with Colonel [redacted] that a memorandum would be prepared for the signature of General McDonald, A2, to General LeMay, who is in charge of Research and Development in the Air Corps. Colonel [redacted] indicated that this memorandum will set forth the characteristics of the objects seen by various reliable individuals. The memorandum will then request General LeMay to indicate whether or not any experiments are being undertaken by the Air Forces which could possibly be connected with any of the observed phenomena. Colonel [redacted] stated that when a reply is received from General LeMay, a communication will be addressed to the Bureau.

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Mr. [redacted] will follow this matter closely with Colonel [redacted] and General Schulgen so that the Bureau will be promptly advised of all information regarding the flying discs, especially any information indicating that they are, in fact, an experiment of some Governmental agency.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI
DATE: 9-17-47

FROM : SAC, Portland

SUBJECT: REPORTS OF FLYING DISCS
SECURITY MATTER - X

Refer San Francisco letter dated September 4, 1947.

[redacted], Portland, reported without consulting any records that on June 24, 1947, while prospecting at a point in the Cascade Mountains approximately five thousand feet from sea level, during the afternoon he noticed a reflection, looked up, and saw a disc proceeding in a southeasterly direction. Immediately upon sighting this object he placed his telescope to his eye and observed the disc for approximately forty-five to sixty seconds. He remarked that it is possible for him to pick up an object at a distance of ten miles with his telescope. At the time the disc was sighted by Mr. [redacted] it was banking in the sun, and he observed five or six similar objects but only concentrated on one. He related that they did not fly in any particular formation and that he would estimate their height to be about one thousand feet from where he was standing. He said the object was about thirty feet in diameter and appeared to have a tail. It made no noise.

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According to [redacted] he remained in the vicinity of the Cascades for several days and then returned to Portland and noted an article in the local paper which stated in effect that a man in Boise, Idaho, had sighted a similar object but that authorities had disclaimed any knowledge of such an object. He said he communicated with the Army for the sole purpose of attempting to add credence to the story furnished by the man in Boise.

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[redacted] also related that on the occasion of his sighting the objects on June 24, 1947 he had in his possession a combination compass and watch. He noted particularly that immediately before he sighted the disc the compass acted very peculiar, the hand waving from one side to the other, but that this condition corrected itself immediately after the discs had passed out of sight.

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Informant appeared to be a very reliable individual who advised that he had been a prospector in the states of Montana, Washington, and Oregon for the past forty years.

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2 cc: San Francisco (62-2938)

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TO : D. M. LADD

FROM : [redacted] b7c

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS

DATE: 9/16/47

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- Mr. E. A. Tamm
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Special Agent [redacted] of the Liaison Section has discussed with Lieutenant Colonel George [redacted] of the Intelligence Division of the Air Forces the possibility that the flying discs or saucers are in fact a project of the Army Air Forces. It should be noted that Colonel [redacted] agreed with this possibility. At that time Mr. [redacted] pointed out to Colonel [redacted] the possible embarrassing position of the Intelligence Division of the Air Forces if it was subsequently ascertained that this was the truth, especially since they had requested the assistance of the Bureau in the captioned matter.

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Colonel [redacted] advised Mr. [redacted] that he would institute a further search, and he has now advised that a letter was addressed by Major General McDonald, Director of the Intelligence Division of the Air Forces, to the Research and Development Section of the Air Forces.

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There is attached hereto a letter addressed to the Director, dated September 5, 1947, from Brigadier General George F. Schulgen, which states that a complete survey of research activities discloses that the Army Air Forces have no project with characteristics similar to those which have been associated with the flying discs.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that this memorandum be forwarded to the Internal Security Section for their information.

Attachment

SWR:AJB

[redacted]

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DQUARTERS, ARMY AIR FORCES
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO: AFBIR-CC

5 SEP 1947

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Department of Justice
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Attention: Liaison Section

In answer to a verbal request of your Mr. S. W. Reynolds, a complete survey of research activities discloses that the Army Air Forces has no project with the characteristics similar to those which have been associated with the Flying Discs.

Yours sincerely,

Geo F Schulgen

GEO. F. SCHULGEN
Brigadier General, U.S.A.
Deputy, Ass't. Chief of Air Staff-2

62-83894-87

ADDRESS REPLY TO: COMMANDING GENERAL, ARMY AIR FORCES, WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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Miss Gandy

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[redacted] -b7C

FBI NORFOLK 9-13-47 4-15 PM CLC

DIRECTOR U R G E N T

FLYING DISCS. [redacted]

OCEAN VIEW, VA., REPORTED SIGHTING FLYING DISC AT SHOUNS, TENN., SEPTEMB SIXTH, LAST. SON-IN-LAW, [redacted] OCEAN VIEW, CONFIRMS SIGHTING OF THIS OBJECT WHICH HE DESCRIBED AS BEING SHAPED LIKE FOOTBALL, MOVING IN A SOUTHERLY DIRECTION AT CONSTANT ALTITUDE OF APPROXIMATELY TWO THOUSAND FEET, AND TURNING END OVER END IN THE AIR. RATE OF SPEED COMPARABLE TO CUB PLANE. -b7C [redacted] STATES OBJECT VISIBLE FOR APPROXIMATELY FIVE MINUTES AGAINST OVERCAST SKY. NO DETAILS DISCERNIBLE. [redacted] DOES NOT BELIEVE OBJECT WAS DISC BUT THAT IT MIGHT HAVE BEEN A LOOSE ~~METERO~~ METEOROLOGICAL BALLOON. RUC.

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cc: Mr. Ladd

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Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Egan
Mr. Gurnea
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Mohr
Mr. Pennington
Mr. Quinn Tamm
Mr. Nease
Miss G[redacted]

[redacted]

I.G.
9-14-47
12:30 AM

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SEP 14 1947

TELETYPE

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FBI PORTLAND 9-13-47 8-08 PM HHS

DIRECTOR URGENT

FLYING DISCS. [redacted], PORTLAND, STATES HE OBSERVED AT ABOUT FIVE FIFTEEN PM ELEVENTH INSTANT, AN OBJECT SIMILAR IN SIZE TO A WEATHER BALLOON, WHICH APPEARED TO BE MADE OF ALUMINUM OR SOME OTHER BRIGHT METAL, TRAVELING RAPIDLY NORTHWEST TO SOUTHEAST OVER PORTLAND AT AN ESTIMATED TEN THOUSAND FEET. OBJECT VEERED TO SOUTH AND DISAPPEARAD IN THE DISTANCE IN APPROXIMATELY ONE MINUTE. ALSO OBSERVED BY [redacted] DRIVER OF [redacted] CAR, AND POSSIBLY BY OTHER PORTLAND POLICE OFFICERS. SMALL ARTICLE APPEARED IN PORTLAND NEWSPAPER, THE OREGONIAN, CONCERNING THIS ON TWELETH INSTANT. INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: Septe[redacted] 4, 1947

FROM : SAC, Phoenix

SUBJECT: REPORTS OF FLYING DISCS

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[redacted]

ATTENTION: ASSISTANT DIRECTOR D. M. LADD

Reference is made to San Francisco letter dated August 26, 1947, and to Bureau teletype to Phoenix dated August 30, 1947.

With reference to the above matter, I desire to point out that the letter of reference from San Francisco did not reach Phoenix until September 2, 1947.

On August 29, 1947, a Mr. [redacted] called at the Phoenix office and exhibited credentials reflecting that he is a representative of A-2, Fourth Air Force, Hamilton Field, California. He also exhibited orders emanating from the office of Colonel [redacted] A-2, Fourth Air Force, Hamilton Field, California, instructing him to proceed to Phoenix immediately and contact the FBI office, at which time a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation would be designated to accompany him to interview [redacted] who had previously reported the photographing of a flying disc. The orders further indicated that the San Francisco office of the FBI was transmitting further information relating to Mr. [redacted] mission.

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ASAC [redacted] telephonically communicated with SAC HARRY KIMBALL of the San Francisco office and Mr. KIMBALL verified the above information and stated that a letter had been directed to the Phoenix office suggesting that the Phoenix office assist any representative who called from A-2 in the interrogation of RHODES. SAC KIMBALL stated that in connection with flying discs, he had maintained close contact with Colonel [redacted] and that close cooperation existed. He further advised that many reports of flying discs had been received at San Francisco and that a full discussion concerning the results of inquiries had been held with Colonel [redacted]

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DEFERRED RECORDING

In connection with flying disc investigations, Mr. [redacted] advised he had maintained close touch with the Bureau and had apparently handled these matters in accordance with Bureau policy.

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In view of the above, Special Agent [redacted] of the Phoenix office was permitted to work with Mr. [redacted] in the interview of [redacted] [redacted] The results of the inquiry are set out hereunder.

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[redacted] Phoenix, Arizona, owns and maintains the [redacted] at this address, and he related the following as occurring on the afternoon of July 7, 1947: b7C

A storm had occurred in Phoenix on the afternoon of July 7, 1947, and the clouds were at approximately 5000 feet, the color of which was grey and they resembled dense cumulus. A fifteen mile per hour wind was blowing. At approximately 5 p.m. on that date, Mr. [redacted] was walking from his home to the [redacted] and he heard a noise resembling a P-80 aircraft, apparently coming in a westerly direction. Upon searching the skies he observed to the northeast what appeared to be an odd shaped ship. He described this ship as being possibly 20 to 30 feet in diameter, traveling at an estimated speed of 100 miles per hour. It appeared to be making a spiral in a small radius of possibly one-half to three quarters of a mile. [redacted] stated the sound which he first heard was no longer audible; that he hurriedly procured a 120 Brownie Box Camera from his shop, and as the aircraft completed the first circle he obtained a photograph. As the ship started on the second turn, it was in a northwesterly direction from his place and he again snapped a photograph, which more closely resembled the shape of the ship than photograph #1, this being designated as Exhibit II, as submitted to the Bureau with letter dated August 4, 1947, by the Office of Assistant Chief of Staff A-2 Intelligence, Hamilton Field, California. [redacted] further described the direction of the ship by stating that instead of completing the lefthand downward spiral the ship banked to the right and disappeared into the clouds. He stated that just as it banked, he had snapped the second photograph, Exhibit II. b7C

At the last point, which was at the time the ship made this turn, Mr. [redacted] estimated it to be between 1,000 and 2,000 feet high. He further described the appearance of this ship as closely resembling a picture which appeared on the front cover of the May, 1947, issue of the Mechanics Illustrated Magazine, the only difference noted by Mr. [redacted] being that the ship appeared to be flying backward. b7C

Mr. [redacted] also related that he did not associate the appearance of this ship with the numerous reports of flying discs. He related, however, that after a three minute interview with newspaper reporters the story that appeared in the local papers was "blown up" to the extent that he, [redacted] barely recognized the information furnished by him. Mr [redacted] explained that the aforementioned dimensions and distances were only estimated, pointing out, that his previous experience probably assisted him in making fairly close estimates. He related that he had been doing experimental work for the past ten years. He also stated he was employed at the Naval Ordnance Laboratory, Washington, D. C. during the early part of World War II and left there the beginning of 1942. Upon his return to Phoenix, he was employed at Falcon Field near Phoenix which was leased by the British Government for training purposes. He instructed in instrument training, aircraft identification and gunnery practice. He explained that his hobbies have to do with science, physics, radio, electronics and astronomy. He produced a model which he had made of a radio controlled airplane. He related that most of his work consists of building transformers, but it is also necessary for him to depend upon his music ability for his livlihood. b7C

In explaining the results of photographing the ship, Mr. [redacted] stated that he was surprised that the object appeared dark on a light background; that he fully expected that the object would be light on a dark background. He described the light spot which appears in the center of the object (Exhibit II) as being a green house. [redacted] insisted that the ship made no noise that was audible to his ear and he was unable to detect the presence of any propeller. He also related that after the newspaper release over Radio Station KTAR, wherein statements were made that he, [redacted], had stated Army officials were studying the photographs, and that it was a top secret, he attempted to determine the source of this release and the Radio station finally told him that it was a United Press release from Washington, D. C. b7c

The following description of [redacted] was obtained from observation and interrogation: b7c

[redacted]

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It should be stated that at the time of interview with [redacted], Mr. [redacted] identified himself as an agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and exhibited his credentials. However, pursuant to a request from Mr. [redacted], he was introduced only as a representative of the United States government. His exact official connection was not made known to Mr. [redacted] Agent [redacted] advised that he felt it was a peculiar procedure, but it was not his business. However, at the conclusion of the interview, Mr. [redacted] requested Mr. [redacted] to furnish him with the negatives and [redacted] stated he would be glad to do so, but they were not in his immediate possession, and he would deliver them to the FBI the following morning. Mr. [redacted] requested that the negatives be returned to him. Agent [redacted] states that to this request, Mr. [redacted] made no reply. Agent [redacted] states that after leaving Mr. [redacted] he asked [redacted] if the negatives would be returned to Mr. [redacted] and [redacted] stated that he doubted very much that they would be returned. Mr. [redacted] then advised Mr. [redacted] that before he, [redacted], would accept these negatives that [redacted] must be advised of Mr. [redacted] identity and also advised that the negatives, if turned over to Mr. [redacted], would not be returned to him. b7c

In view of which, on the morning on August 30, 1947, when Mr. [redacted] called at the Phoenix office to deliver the negatives, they were accepted only after he was advised that they were being given to Mr. [redacted] a representative of the Army Air Force Intelligence, United States Army, and that there was little, if any, chance of his getting the negatives back. Mr. [redacted] turned the negatives over to this office with the full understanding that they were being given to the Army and that he would not get them back.

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The Phoenix office did not receive the Bureau teletype of reference instructing that no joint investigation should be conducted until after the matter had been handled.

Inasmuch as military authorities have complete knowledge of the results of the interview with Mr. [redacted] no copy of this report is being designated for A-2.

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JBB-kb

cc-San Francisco

62-213

September 11, 1947

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[redacted] b7c
Estill, South Carolina

Dear [redacted] b7c

The material which you submitted to the FBI Laboratory for examination has been identified as powdered soapstone.

The unused portion of this material is being returned to you under separate cover via Registered Mail.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

(14)

TO : D. M. Ladd

FROM : W. P. Coyne

DATE: September 4, 1947

SUBJECT: FLYING SAUCER

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Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Carson
Mr. Egan
Mr. Gurnea
Mr. Hendon
Mr. Pennington
Mr. Quinn Tamm

Reference is made to the memorandum from Mr. Baughman to Mr. Harbo, dated August 28, 1947, requesting advice as to the final disposition of material submitted by Mrs. [redacted] Estill, South Carolina. It is noted that this material, which [redacted] reported to be a part of a flying saucer, has been identified as powdered soap stones.

b7C

Harbo

Baughman

It is recommended that the material be returned to Mrs. [redacted] along with a letter advising that such has been identified as powdered soap stones.

b7C

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. R. T. Harbo Kott

DATE: August 28, 1947

FROM : T. F. Baughman TFB

SUBJECT: Letter and material received from
Mrs. [redacted]
Estill, South Carolina b7c
[redacted]

Mr. Tolson
Mr. E. A. Tamm
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Mr. Coffey
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
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Miss Gandy

FLYING SAUCER

The attached letter dated August 14, 1947 from Mrs. [redacted] together with the material which she reports to be part of a flying saucer was received in the Laboratory on August 19, 1947. The material which was submitted with Mrs. [redacted] letter has been identified as powdered soap stones. b7c

Inasmuch as the Investigative and Security Divisions might possibly be interested in this matter, I request that you advise me as to the final disposition of the submitted material as well as the type of reply which should be made to Mrs. [redacted] letter. b7c

b7c [redacted]

JWM:PVH

Letter 9-1-47 JWM

memo Lab RJF 9-4-47

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Flying Saucers

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[redacted] b7c

Ack 7/31

[redacted] b7c
New Mexico

July 15, 1947

Please excuse flying haste - to make airmail

Mr. Walter Winchell,
% Postmaster,
Los Angeles, Calif.

Dear Mr. Winchell:

~~The enclosed~~ This letter deals with what are being called "discs."

You are not to mention the contents of this letter over the air, nor to any individual other than officials of the War Dep't., members of the FBI, or an American whose patriotism would rank with your own, and who might donate $10,000 or more for the purpose of my continuing the collection of field data concerning "discs," while time may remain in which to do so.

I have had respectful attention from the following persons: (~~But no checks, nor expense accounts even.~~)

Col. [redacted] b7c
Los Alamos, N.M.

Maj. [redacted] b7c
Los Alamos, N.M.

Mr. [redacted] b7c
Santa Fe, N.M.

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ENCLOSURE

OFFICE OF DIRECTOR
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Mr. Harbo
Mr. Hendon
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Miss Gandy

September 8, 1947

The attached was sent to the Director by Walter Winchell.

The notations appearing thereon read:

"Ack & F.B.I."

"Please excuse haste - Trying to make airmail west." [redacted]

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Attachment

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MARKED STOP DESK

Flying discs

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Bureau files fail to reflect any record on a Mrs. [redacted] [redacted] *the writer of the attached letter.*

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15 SEP 18 1947

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ancis Finley, Agent-in-Charge,
(2) Federal Bureau of Investigation, (Phone 1366)
Santa Fe, N.M.

b7c

Gen. [redacted]
Ass't. to [redacted]
AAF Materiel Command,
Washington, D.C.

b7c

[redacted]
Ass't to [redacted]
Albuquerque, N.M.

b7c

Gen. [redacted]
Washington, D.C.

b7c

And through the courtesy of Gen. [redacted] a letter from Sec. of War Robert Patterson, War Dep't, Washington, D

All were highly interested, appreciative, with the general trend of contacts being, "This is fine. Go right ahead."

My point in writing you is to raise some money to proceed with. No budgets seemed to allow for the unexpected, elusiv "discs."

Sen. Carl Hatch, D-N.M., U.S. Senate, Washington, D.C. has been contacted by mail for an appropriation~~s~~, but even if this only requires one more week, it may be too late.

You may contact any of the above listed persons to verify my contacts (excuse repetition word contact) during the past four months. In other words, I began reporting directly to Dr. [redacted] Scientific Head of Los Alamos, and Colonel [redacted], et al, some time ago that this type aerial "disc" was a reality.

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This material was considered confidential, and still is.

b7C

I have been asked by [redacted] not to speak any further than material which has been published in the press. And I have chosen simply not to speak at all, except to a source which I consid might further my own work.

If you ask of the above persons, to ascertain whether or not I have made serious, materially valuable contributions, which may indicate much scientifically...... and which, if action can be continued soon enough, may a little later save our nation much.... please make inquiries quietly, and as promptly as convenient.

I must ask you not to speculate, even to yourself... but simply to act.

Do not mention in any manner, until release by the War Dep't, even the receipt of this letter, except to the above persons, or proper government officials there. Or, to one whom you know will make a donation.

Perhaps your savest bet would be simply to telephone the FBI there, and let them telephone Francis Finley here for verificatio

I promise you an exclusive, behind the scenes story when, and if, the War Dep't releases the material nationally. Meantime, your action now may save your own life, and that of others who may have wondered what a "disc" is.

Rest assured I have all the proper scientific and governm contacts needed...... all I need is the wherewithall. I have the proper background to discuss the subject, secure the further field data I now need, explain it technically, and secure proper action, provided I am given the means to do so.

I regret that I cannot be more specific now, but duty to country rests above.

I have met before with the mental reaction, "What? A woman handling this type material? " And my signature below will probably evoke the same response from you. So I assure you, yes, it is a woman who is coming in with the information which men have gone out to seek. And doing the proper thing about it.

Most respectfully,

b7c [redacted]

Mrs. [redacted]

cc/

P.S. Am a former newspaper person, and very proud of it. Am 39, but dress and feel some younger.

Again, I must ask you not to mention even the town from which this letter comes, as you may be endangering lives to so so. Simply ascertain my contributions, get some money t me, and wait. b7c [redacted] ~~himself~~ would give me a gas budget, if he were not so close himself.)

September 25, 1947

[redacted] b7c
South Royalton, Vermont

Dear [redacted] b7c

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated September 17, 1947. An Agent of our Albany, New York, Office will call upon you in the near future for any additional information in your possession.

Your courtesy and interest in bringing this matter to my attention are indeed appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

cc - Albany (separate cover letter)

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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SAC, Albany

September 25, 1947

Director, FBI

FLYING DISCS
[redacted] Informant b7c

Attached hereto are copies of an incoming communication from [redacted] b7c [redacted], South Royalton, Vermont, and copies of acknowledgment of same.

It is requested that an Agent of your Office call on Mr. [redacted] b7c to obtain any additional information in his possession concerning flying discs.

Enclosures

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STATE OF VERMONT
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
[redacted] b7c

CHELSEA
NORWICH
ROYALTON

SHARO
STRAFF
TUNBRI

September 17, 1947

Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sirs:

At 3:40 P.M. to-day I observed a so-called flying saucer. This occurred while I was half way up Rix Ledges north of Lebanon, N. H. As I was intently watching the honey bees circling in a patch of sky after leaving my bee box my attention was called to a floating object that appeared to be as large as a tennis ball and as white as cotton batting. This object approached rapidly and noiselessly from the East and was followed closely by another object that appeared in size and shape like a saucer which maintained a constant angle of inclination to the ball and followed it at a constant distance. The two objects made an angle with my eye of approximately five degrees. They were in my vision for more than a minute when I lost them in the glare of the sun.

If I had seen this in the night sky with my six inch telescope I would have thought that the planets Venus and Saturn had suddenly gotten together and were traveling at great speed much nearer the earth. 62-83894-75

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Very truly yours,

[redacted] b7c

Superintendent of Schools

ANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. D. M. LADD DL

DATE: September 8, 1947

FROM : [redacted] b7c

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS

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Reference is made to my memorandum to you in the above captioned matter ~~dated~~ August 22, 1947, which indicates that Special Agent [redacted] of the Liaison Section had contacted Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] of the Air Forces Intelligence at which time Colonel Garrett advised that the Army Air Forces were conducting no research or experiments in the vicinity of Twin Falls, Idaho, on or about August 19, 1947. Colonel [redacted] at that time indicated to Mr. [redacted] that he would check with the Army area in order to ascertain whether or not they were conducting any experiments in this vicinity at that time.

Colonel [redacted] has subsequently advised Mr. [redacted] that he has been advised by the Army area that no such experiments were being conducted in the area of Twin Falls, Idaho, on or about August 19, 1947, which would in any way throw any light on the matter reported in the teletype.

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RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended this memorandum be forwarded to Mr. [redacted] of the Internal Security Section.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR DATE: 9-13-47

FROM : SAC, PORTLAND

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS
SECURITY MATTER - X

Reference is made to my teletype dated 9-4-47, advising that Mrs. [redacted] Oswego, Oregon, was reported to have seen a number of discs on 9-3-47 above Oswego. b7c

[redacted] was interviewed and described the object which she has observed as follows: b7c

While entertaining her 7 year old son and 10 year old neighbor child on her lawn, at about noon, [redacted] and the children noticed approximately two dozen round silver objects high in the sky. [redacted] stated she believed these objects to have been platter shaped rather than spherical and to have been considerably larger than an airplane of the cub type which was flying in a different portion of the sky at the same time. She advised that these objects appeared to her to be at a great distance and constructed of some white metallic material. b7c

[redacted] attention was first drawn to the objects by an explanation from one of the children to the effect that the airplane was skywriting. The objects were grouped in approximately an arc about level with the sun and to the left of the sun as viewed by [redacted] They did not change positions during the 3 or 4 minutes which she observed them but some of the larger of the objects appeared to rotate rapidly in the manner of a wheel. One of the objects was separated by considerable distance from the main group and while she was watching [redacted] states this object began to fall and floated slowly downward until it was no longer visable because of trees on the horizon. b7c

[redacted] advised that she continued to observe the remaining objects until her eyes began to be affected by the brightness of the sky whereupon she went into her house and is unable to state what became of the group. b7c

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TELETYPE

FBI PORTLAND 9-4-47 3-42 PM PST KAM

DIRECTOR URGENT

RE FLYING DISCS. A [redacted] OSWEGO, OREGON, REPORTED TO HAVE SEEN TWELVE TO FIFTEEN ROUND SILVER OBJECTS AT A HIGH ALTITUDE AT TWELVE FIFTEEN PM, SEPT. THIRD, FORTYSEVEN, ABOVE OSWEGO, OREGON, WHILE WATCHING A LOCAL PLANE FLYING OVERHEAD. WILL BE INTERVIEWED.

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cc: Mr. [illegible]

SAC, Springfield   September 5, 1947

Director, FBI

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With reference to your letter, dated August 20, 1947, it is desired that you contact the appropriate Army officials and in the event they are not interested in receiving this alleged flying disc, it may be destroyed.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: August 20, 1947

FROM : SAC, Springfield

SUBJECT: FLYING DISC

Reference is made to Bureau Bulletin No. 42, Series 1947, dated July 30, 1947 re the above.

For the Bureau's information a Mrs. [redacted] of Saybrook, Illinois reported to this office the finding of a flying disc in her front yard at 6:00 A.M. on July 26, 1947. b7C

It appears from investigation conducted by an Agent of this office that the stability of [redacted] is questionable. However the alleged flying disc was obtained and it is apparently the concoction of some of the juveniles in the area. It is an old wooden platter, which has assembled on it a silver plate, a spark plug, a timer, and some old brass tubing. Photographs were taken of the same and there are six views enclosed herewith. b7C

No doubt this was someone's idea of a prank.

The disc is presently being retained by the Springfield Office and will be retained pending receipt of Bureau advice relative to its destruction. The thought in retaining it was that perhaps the Bureau might desire to have it transmitted to Washington for any novel value it might have.

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Enclosure - To Bureau

Photographs of "Flying Disc" found at Saybrook, Ill. 7-26-47

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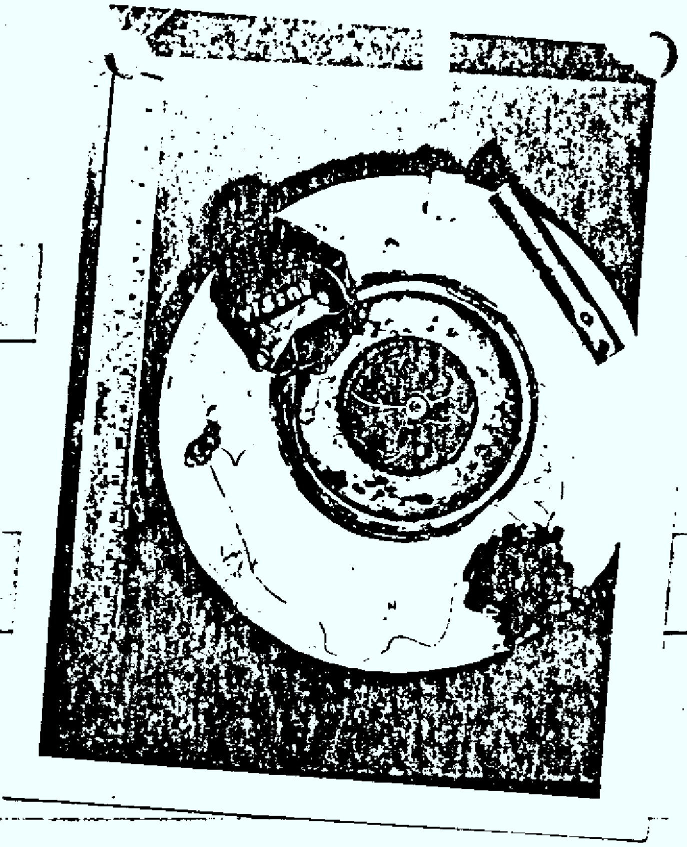

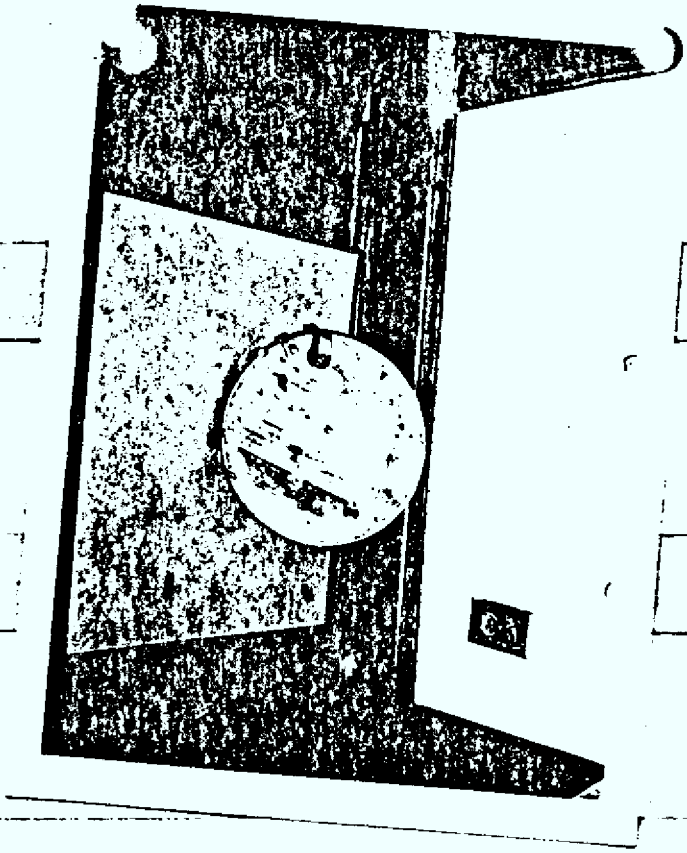

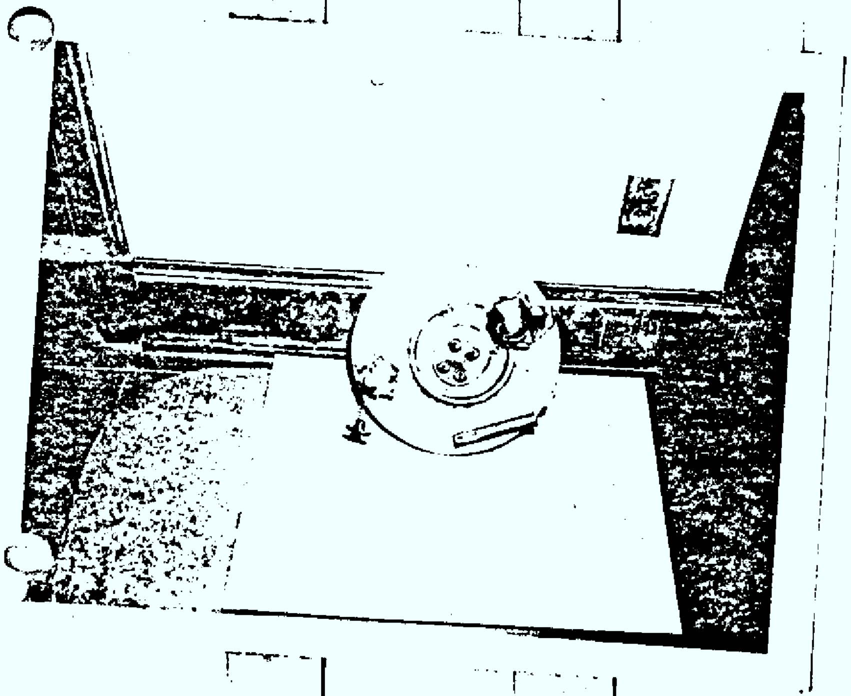

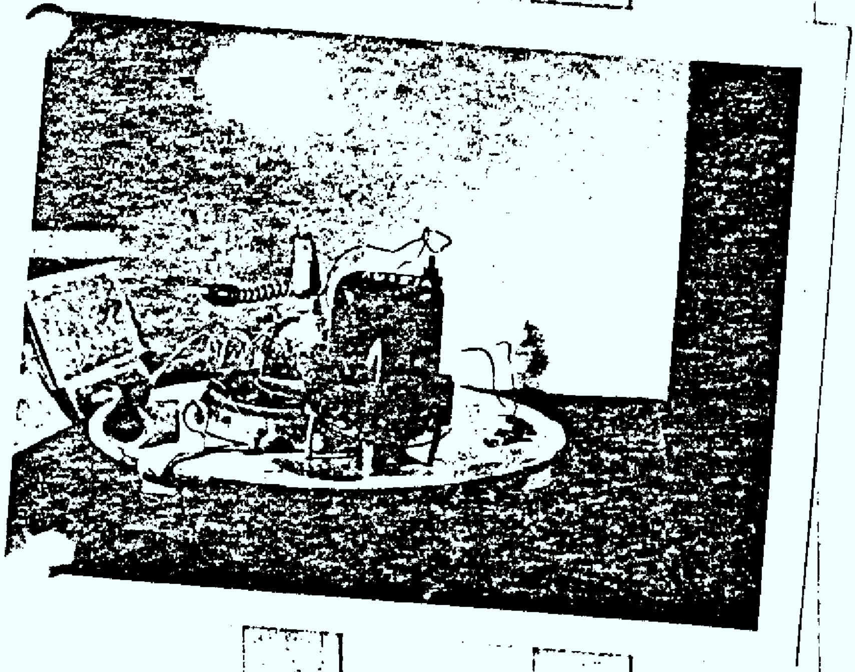

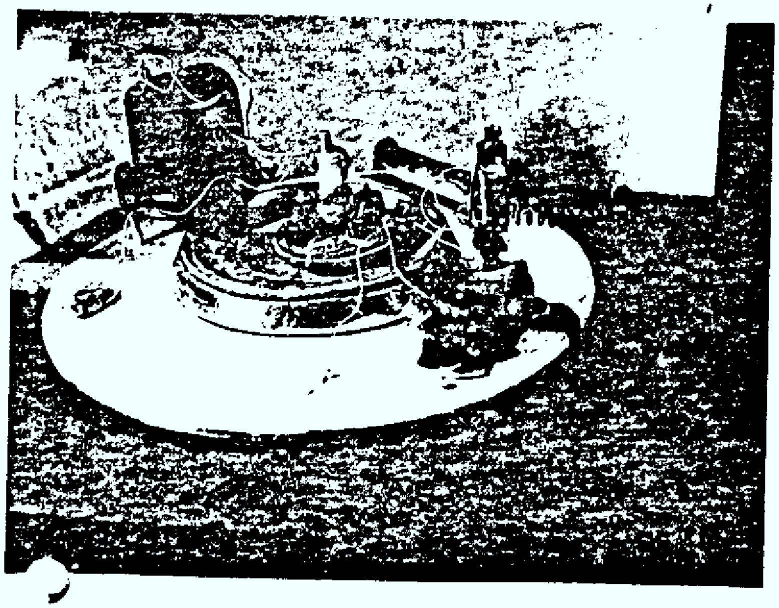

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[redacted] b7c
Florence, Alabama

Dear [redacted] b7c

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Your letter of August 18, 1947, has been received, and I am most appreciative of the thoughtfulness which prompted you to communicate with me. For your information, no reward has been offered by any U. S. Government Agency for the location of "flying saucers." I regret that I am unable to be of assistance in this instance.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover:
F.B.I. Washington. D.C.

(31)

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I hardly know how to go about trying to tell you What I Want you to know. But just in my own simple Way I'll do the best I Can. I know you are a very busy man altho I hope you Will take time to read my letter and I'll try to Make a long story short.

Mr. Hoover Almost five Weeks ago, What we all Call a "Flying Saucer" fell in my front yard a distance of five or six feet from Where I Was Standing. I saw it Coming Streight down out of the skies. It Came down at a terrific speed and exploded. I turned the pieces over to Chief [redacted] b7C

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Mr. Hoover I don't know what the police did with what ever we might call it that fell in my yard you probably know all about it. But I did what I thought was right. I called the police at once and turned it over to them. Then in three or four days later a neighbor and I found more of it in some tall grass nearby and I also carried it to the police station.

If there is a reward Mr. Hoover I know you are the one to see that I get it. Will you help me please.

Very truly yours.

[redacted] b7C

Florence. Ala.

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director

FROM : SAC, Portland

DATE: September 5, 1947

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS
SECURITY MATTER - X

Reference is made to my teletype dated August 15, 1947 advising that a Mr. [redacted] of Agate Beach, Oregon had reported on August 7, 1947 that he sighted what he believed to be a disc. Mr. [redacted] instead of [redacted], now residing in Newport, Oregon was interviewed by Special Agent [redacted] Mr. [redacted] stated that on August 7, 1947 he was residing at Agate Beach, Oregon and that his house was very near the ocean beach; that at about 12:30 A. M. he was awakened by his son coming in and that while awake he noticed a bright glow of light across the sky out over the ocean. He stated that he immediately thought of flying discs and thought this might be one of the discs.

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Mr. [redacted] went on to say that he had no idea as to the shape or size of this object but that it appeared to be about five miles out over the ocean and that he was able to see it for about 15 to 30 seconds. He further stated that due to the darkness he could tell nothing about the speed of this object but thought it was traveling a great deal faster than any airplane he had ever seen. He informed that this glow of light was somewhat similar to "The Northern Light" which sometimes appears in the sky but of course not nearly as large and that it appeared to be going up and down, that is fluctuating in altitude as it traveled along. He stated it disappeared in the west, either falling into the ocean or disappearing over the horizon. He could give no other information concerning this object of light reported by him as possibly being a flying disc. Mr. [redacted] and [redacted] shop in Newport.

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AUGUST 30, 1947 URGENT

TO: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

Transmit the following message to: SACS SAN FRANCISCO AND PHOENIX

REPORT OF FLYING DISCS. RE SANF MEMO AUGUST TWENTY EIGHT LAST CONCERNING INTERVIEW WITH [redacted], PHOENIX, ARIZONA. SANF ADVISE A-TWO AIR FORCE NOT NECESSARY FOR [redacted] TO PROCEED TO PHOENIX, THAT BUREAU WILL HANDLE INTERVIEW IF DESIRED, BUT JOINT INVESTIGATION NOT DEEMED NECESSARY. IF [redacted] PROCEEDS PHOENIX IN SPITE OF ABOVE, ADVISE HIM YOU ARE NOT AUTHORIZED TO CONDUCT JOINT INVESTIGATION AND NOT POSSIBLE FOR [redacted] TO SIT IN ON INTERVIEW WITH [redacted]

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SENT VIA ____________ M Per ____________

AUGUST 25, 1947 - URGENT

SAC BUTTE

FLYING DISCS. EXTENSIVE INQUIRIES AT ARMY AIR FORCES REVEAL THAT NO RESEARCH OR EXPERIMENTS WERE BEING CONDUCTED BY AAF IN THE VICINITY OF TWIN FALLS, IDAHO ON OR ABOUT AUGUST NINETEEN. IN THE EVENT YOUR SOURCES IN THE ARMY, NAVY OR AIR FORCES INDICATE OTHERWISE ADVISE BUREAU PROMPTLY.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : D. M. Ladd

DATE: August 22, 1947

FROM : [redacted] b7c

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS

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Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
Mr. [illegible]
Mr. Carson
Mr. Hendon
Mr. Mumford
Mr. Jones
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[redacted]

Reference is made the teletype from the Butte Field Division dated August 20, 1947, in the above captioned matter.

In accordance with your request, this matter was checked with Army Air Forces. Lieutenant Colonel [redacted]., advised Special Agent [redacted] that extensive inquiries with the Army Air Forces revealed that no research or experiments were being conducted by the AAF in the vicinity of Twin Falls, Idaho on or about August 19, 1947. Colonel [redacted] stated that he had no information which would throw any light on the matter reported in the teletype. b7c

ACTION

It is suggested this memorandum be routed to the Internal Security Section to the attention of Supervisor [redacted] b7c

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Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Egan
Mr. Gurnea
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Hendon
Mr. Pennington
Mr. Quinn Tamm

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DIRECTOR   URGENT

FLYING DISCS. BETWEEN NINE THIRTY AND NINE FORTY FIVE PM LAST NIGHT, AUGUST NIMETEENTH, MR. AND MRS. [redacted] TWIN FALLS, IDAHO, WHILE SITTING ON THE FRONT PORCH WITH MRS. [redacted] b7c [redacted], OBSERVED AN OBJECT RESEMBLING A FLYING SAUCER TRAVELING VERY RAPIDLY FROM THE SOUTHWEST TO THE NORTHEAST SECTION OF THIS CITY. ABOUT TEN MINUTES LATER, ALL OF THESE INDIVIDUALS SAW TEN SIMILAR OBJECTS PROCEEDING RAPIDLY IN THE SAME DIRECTION IN THE FORM OF A TRIANGLE. AS THIS GROUP OF OBJECTS WAS ABOUT TO DISAPPEAR IN THE OVERCAST SKY, THREE OF THE OBJECTS ON THE LEFT FLANK PEELED OFF AND PROCEEDED IN A NORTHERLY DIRECTION. THE REMAINING OBJECTS IN THE TRIANGULAR FORMATION APPEARED TO CLOSE RANKS AND CONTINUE IN A NORTHEASTERLY DIRECTION. THREE TO FIVE MINUTES LATER THESE INDIVIDUALS SAW ANOTHER ~~GRUPK~~ GROUP OF THREE OBJECTS PROCEEDING IN THE SAME DIRECTION AGAIN IN THE SHAPE OF A TRIANGLE. THREE TO FIVE MINUTES LATER INFORMANTS OBSERVED ANOTHER GROUP CONSISTING OF FROM FIVE TO SIX OBJECTS, AGAIN IN TRIANGULR FORMATION; PROCEEDING RAPIDLY IN A NORTHEASTERLY DIRECTION. A FEW MINUTES LATER A LARGE GROUP OF OBJECTS ESTIMATED AT BETWEEN THIRTY FIVE AND FIFTY FLEW OVER THE CITY IN A NORTHEASTERLY DIRECTION, AGAIN IN

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cc: Mr. Ladd

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TRIANGULAR FORMATION. BETWEEN TWENTY AND TWENTY FIVE MINUTES AFTER THE LAST GROUP WAS OBSERVED, SIMILAR OBJECTS WERE NOTED COMING BACK OVER THE CITY VERY RAPIDLY AND PROCEEDING IN A SOUTHWESTERLY DIRECTION. AT THIS TIME INFORMANTS STATED THE OBJECTS APPEARED IN GROUPS OF THREE, FIVE AND SEVEN. AT THIS POINT MRS. [redacted] CALLED DETECTIVE [redacted] [redacted] THE TWIN FALLS PD, A NEXT DOOR NEIGHBOR, WHO ACCOMPANIED BY [redacted] ALSO MEMBERS OF THE TWIN FALLS PD, PROCEEDED TO THE [redacted] HOME WHERE THEY OBSERVED A GROUP OF TWELVE b7C OBJECTS FLYING IN FORMATION OVER THE CITY IN A SOUTHWESTERLY DIRECTION. INFORMANTS, ALL REPUTABLE CITIZENS THIS COMMUNITY, UNABLE TO ESTIMATE HEIGHT OF OBJECTS OR SPEED, BUT CLAIMED THEY RESEMBLED ILLUMINATED FLYING SAUCERS. THESE INDIVIDUALS WERE OF THE OPINION THAT THE OBJECTS OBSERVED WERE NOT THE LANDING LIGHTS OF AIRPLANES NOR SHOOTING STARS. NONE OF THESE OBJECTS WERE SEEN TO COME TO EARTH NEAR TWIN FALLS AND NONE APPEARED TO BE FLYING IN AN ARC. NONE OF THESE OBSERVERS HEARD ANY SOUND AS THE ABOVE OBJECTS PASSED OVER THE CITY. INVESTIGATION CONTINUING IN LINE WITH BUREAU INSTRUCTIONS CONTAINED BUREAU BULLETIN NO. FORTY TWO, PARAGRAPH B, DATED JULY THIRTY LAST. IN EVENT BUREAU IN POSSESSION OF ANY INFORMATION CONCERNING EXPERIMENTAL ACTIVITIES ON

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PART OF ARMY AIR FORCES WHICH MAY EXPLAIN THESE PHENOMENA, ADVICE WOULD BE GREATLY APPRECIATED. IT IS BELIEVED CONTINUED APPEARANCE OF SUCH OBJECTS WITHOUT OFFICIAL EXPLANATION MAY RESULT IN HYSTERIA OR PANIC TWIN FALLS, IDAHO.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : BUREAU

DATE: 8-23-47

FROM : SAC, PORTLAND

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS
SECURITY MATTER - X

The following investigation was conducted at Canyonville and Myrtle Creek, Oregon on August 12, 1947.

[redacted] Roseburg, Oregon, operator of the [redacted] Myrtle Creek, Oregon, advised that on 8-6-47 at approximately 6:15 PM while instructing a student in a take off at the airport, he noticed an object east of Myrtle Creek which appeared to be from 5,000 to 8,000 feet in the air. The sky was completely clear and visibility was excellent. He stated that the object glistened and appeared to be of aluminium sheeting. Upon noticing it he had immediately taken over the controls of the plane which at that time was at 400 feet, and proceeded East in an attempt to further observe the object. He advised that the object appeared to be climbing and traveling East at a high rate of speed which he estimated on a computer in his plane as 1,000 miles per hour. He believed the object to be spherical in shape and recalled noticing a darker object to the right the first time he saw it. He observed no vapor trails nor did he hear any noise from the object. After searching the area for approximately 10 minutes [redacted] and his student [redacted] returned to the airport and made another landing and take off. In practically the same position at 400 feet altitude, both [redacted] and [redacted] saw the object in approximately the same position as seen before. He estimated the sphere to be 30 feet in diameter and stated when they first observed it it appeared to be so near he could fly right to it. However, the object sighted the second time disappeared in the same manner as the first had. b7c

It is noted that [redacted] served as a Lieutenant JG in the U. S. Naval Air Corps for about 3½ years, flying constantly on the Atlantic submarine patrol. He is a reputable citizen in Douglas County and is reported to be a qualified pilot. b7c

[redacted] Myrtle Creek, Oregon, verified the above information as furnished by [redacted] stating that the first object sighted had been called to his attention when [redacted] took over the controls of the plane at about 400 feet following his take off, but that they had both sighted the object on the second take off at the same time. [redacted] described the object as a "silver ball or balloon" which he believed to be 8 miles east of Myrtle Creek, traveling East, and climbing very fast until it disappeared in approximately 45 seconds. [redacted] estimated the sphere as being 50 feet in diameter and stated in his opinion the second object appeared to climb straight up. b7c

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He advised that he did not observe any evidence of motion such as vapot or trails, etc. and could hear no noise over the noise of his own ship.

Investigation in the vicinity of Myrtle Creek, Oregon, has failed to reveal any other person sighting the objects reported by [redacted] No further investigation is being conducted. b7C

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. D. M. Ladd

FROM : [redacted] b7C

DATE: August 14, 1947

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS

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There are attached two copies of a blind memorandum setting forth the facts relative to the reported air crash of two AAF officers investigating flying disc complaints.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that a copy of this memorandum be furnished by the Liaison Section to the Air Force Intelligence.

b7C [redacted]

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : D. M. Ladd

DATE: August 18, 1947

FROM : [redacted] b7C

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Reference is made to your telephonic conversation with the Director on Wednesday of last week, at which time the Director advised that Los Angeles papers carried under a Washington date line an article indicating the Soviet espionage agents in the United States are under instruction to solve the flying discs. Such instructions were believed to be based on the assumption that the flying discs were a secret weapon of the Army or Navy. The article attributed the source of its information to a Federal investigative agency.

Pursuant to your instructions, liaison representatives have contacted the Headquarters of Military Intelligence, the Headquarters of the Air Forces Intelligence, Office of Naval Intelligence and CIG. All agencies denied any knowledge of the flying discs, as well as any knowledge of the basis for this article.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : *MR. E. A. TAMM*

FROM : *MR. D. M. LADD* 88

SUBJECT:

DATE: *August 15, 1947*

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The Director advised on August 14, 1947, that the Los Angeles papers were carrying headlines indicating that Soviet espionage agents had been instructed to determine the facts relative to the flying discs. The article carried a Washington date line and indicated that Red espionage agents had been ordered to solve the question of the flying discs, the Russians being of the opinion that this might be some new form of defense prefected by the American Military. The article further recalled that during the recent war pieces of tin foil had been dropped in the air for the purpose of off setting the value of radar being used by the enemy forces and that these aluminum discs might be a new development along this line. The Director inquired as to whether the Bureau had any such information.

I informed him that I had never heard of any information indicating that Soviet espionage agents had been instructed to obtain such information.

A check with the officials at G-2, ONI and at the Air Corps Intelligence was made and it was found that they had no information relative to such a story. 8/15/4

In accordance with the Director's instructions, I advised Mr. Nichols that in the event any inquiries were made concerning such a story, that the story should be flatly denied in so far as the FBI was concerned.

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[redacted] b7c

-67 Hicksville, Long Island, New York

Dear [redacted] b7c

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter and enclosure dated July 10, 1947.

I have instructed the Special Agent in Charge of our New York Office to have a Special Agent call upon you for the purpose of obtaining further information in connection with this matter.

Your interest in calling this information to my attention is indeed appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

cc - New York (With incoming. There is no identifiable information in the files of the Bureau concerning the writer of this letter. The decoding of the message on the newspaper clipping was referred to the Laboratory, who subsequently advised that the writer's decoding was substantially correct. There is being set forth below the results of the Laboratory's decoding:

> "TIRED OF HUMAN NONSENSE WONT AWAIT ATOMIC
> WAR DISRUPTING ORDER SOLAR SYSTEM SO SENT
> FLYING DISKS AND WILL SET UP WORLD ORDER
> UNDER MARTIANS LATE THIS YEAR".

The New York Office should interview the writer of this letter to ascertain from what newspaper the clipping in question was obtained. Thereafter, contact should be made with this newspaper to ascertain the identity of the person who sent in the coded message. This individual must be thoroughly interrogated to obtain all possible information surrounding the alleged receipt of the coded message. The Bureau should be promptly advised of the results of these inquiries.)

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Gentlemen-

Enclosed you have a clipping which speaks for itself. I had nothing better to do so I tried to decode it for a joke. If my decoding is correct it's a joke — Please read over

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Tired of human nonsense
Won't await Atomic war.
Disrupting order, solar
systems so sent flying
discs and will set up
world order under —
— late this year.

Please advise

Very sincerely

ADDRESS

[redacted] b7c

[redacted]ICKSVILLE. L.I. (NOT LISTED)

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F.B.I.
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sirs—

I was wondering whether these rockets in which the young students are sending mail or messages from California to Arizona would have any connection with the so called "Flying Saucers"

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Springhaven
Chester
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July 9/1947.

cc Phila 8/1/47 VC

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COUNTY IRRITANT

from our Mail Box

Calling for Decoders

Bellmore—About nine at night on July 4th I received the following shortwave message in code, origin unknown. I kept listening, and about an hour later the message was repeated letter for letter. I can't figure out what it means, but here it is:

DITER FO NUHMA SOESNENN TWON LATWA MOTCIA WRA RUSPIDGNIT DREOR LASOR STEYMS SO STEN YLFNIG SKIDS DAN WLIL EST UP WLORD DREOR NERUD TIRMANAS TEAL HIST ARYE.

—Radio Ham.

(Neither can we, but we hope it's legal.—Ed.)

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August 1, 1947

[redacted] b7c
Springhaven, Chester, Pennsylvania

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Dear [redacted] b7c

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter dated July 9, 1947.

After a careful review of the contents of this letter it was ascertained that the information contained therein would probably be of interest to the War Department, therefore, I have taken the liberty of furnishing this information to that agency.

Your interest in writing as you did is indeed appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION
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cc - Philadelphia

(There is no identifiable information in the Bureau files concerning the writer of this letter.)

This letter referred to "flying saucers."

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

August 14

TO: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

SAC, Seattle **U R G E**

Transmit the following message to:

REURTEL AUGUST TWELVE. IT IS NOTED FROM INTERROGATION OF [redacted] [redacted] CLAIMS THAT DURING THE CONFERENCE ON JULY THIRTY ONE THAT [redacted] AND [redacted] APPARENTLY REPEATED THEIR FALSE STORY ABOUT THE MATERIAL BEING FRAGMENTS OF A FLYING DISC AND ONLY ON SATURDAY NIGHT AUGUST SECOND DID [redacted] ADMIT THAT THE STORY WAS A HOAX. IF SUCH IS THE CASE IT WOULD APPEAR EITHER [redacted] OR [redacted] MADE THE ANONYMOUS PHONE CALL SINCE THEY WOULD HAVE BEEN UNDER THE IMPRESSION AT THAT TIME THAT TH MATERIAL FURNISHED TO CAPTAIN DAVIDSON AND LIEUTENANT BROWN WAS ACTU PARTS OF A FLYING DISC. IT WOULD ALSO APPEAR THAT [redacted] AND [redacted] DID NOT ADMIT THE HOAX TO THE ARMY INTELLIGENCE OFFICERS BECAUSE IF HAD DONE SO THE OFFICERS PROBABLY WOULD NOT HAVE TAKEN THE ALLEGED F WITH THEM ON THEIR FATAL FLIGHT. THIS MATTER SHOULD BE CLEARED UP U REINTERVIEW WITH [redacted] AND [redacted] WHEN THIS POINT CLARIFIED NO FU INVESTIGATION NECESSARY.

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FBI SEATTLE 8-6-47 7-13 PM PST

DIRECTOR FBI URGENT

b7c [redacted]

FLYING DISCS, S. M. - X. RETEL PORTLAND TO DIRECTOR , SAN FRANCISCO, AND SEATTLE AUGUST FIVE LAST. INTELLIGENCE OFFICERS MCCORD FIELD, WN., ADVISE THAT IN THEIR ~~OPOXX~~ OPINION AND FROM THEIR INVESTIGATION THERE IS NO QUESTION OF THE CRASH OF THE B- TWENTYFIVE AT KELSO, WN. ~~APEX~~ APPROXIMATELY TWO FIFTY A. M. , AUGUST ONE LAST HAVING BEEN CAUSED BY ANY SABOTAGE. THEY STATE THEIR INVESTIGATION INDICATES THE LEFT ENGINE BURNED OUT AN EXHAUST STACK WHICH CAUSED THE WING TO BURN AND BREAK OFF. THE LEFT WING AS IT ~~E WA~~ BROKE OFF TORE OFF THE TAIL AND THE PLANE CRASHED INTO THE GROUND KILLING CAPT. DAVIDSON AND LT. BROWN INTELLIGENCE OFFICERS OF THE FOURTH AIR FORCE WHO WERE RETURNING FROM MCCORD FIELD, WN., TO HAMILTON FIELD, CALIFORNIA. THE CREW CHIEF AND A HITCHHIKER PARACHUTED TO SAFETY FROM THE PLANE. ONLY FOUR MEMBERS WERE ABOARD THE PLANE, DAVIDSON AND BROWN BEING PILOT AND CO- PILOT AND HAD NO CHANCE TO ESCAPE WHEN THE WING BROKE OFF. LT. COL. DONALD L. SPRINGER, A- TWO ~~AWWKTGKXXX~~ OFFICER FOR THE FOURTH AIR FORCE, HAMILTON FIELD, CALIFORNIA, ADVISED THAT CAPTAIN DAVIDSSON AND BROWN WERE SENT FROM HAMILTON FIELD TO INTERVIEW [redacted] AND [redacted] b6 [redacted] AT TACOMA, WN., REGARDING THEIR REPORT OF SEEING SOME FLYING DISCS OVER MAURY ISLAND, WN., AND THAT THEY OBTAINED SOME OF THE DISC FRAGMENTS. CRISMAN AND DAHL ARE PARTNERS IN A LUMBDER BUSINESS AT TACOMA, WASHINGTON.

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CAPTAIN DAVIDSON AND LT. BROWN ON THURSDAY, JULY THIRTYFIRST LAST INTERVIEWED [redacted], FROM BOISE, IDAHO, b6 WHO WAS ONE OF THE FIRST THAT REPORTED SEENING FLYING DISCS AND [redacted] [redacted]-UNITED AIRLINES PILOT FROM SEATTEL, WN., WHO ALSO REPORTED SEEING FLYING DISCS. THIS INTERVIEW TOOK PLACE AT THE WINTHROP HOTEL ON THE AFTERNOON OF JULY THIRTYFIRST LAST. CAPTAIN DAVIDSON AND LT. BROWN WERE RETURNING TO HAMILTON FIELD FOR AIRFORCE DAY AND HAD WITH THEM SOME OF THE DISC FRAGMENTS AS REPORTED BY [redacted] AND [redacted] b6

2. REPORTER PAUL LANTZ OF TACOMA TIMES, AND UNITED PRESS WIREMAN TED MORELLO OF TACOMA, RECEIVED ANONYMOUS PHONE CALLS JULY THIRTYFIRST AND AUGUST FIRST LAST REGARDING THE MEETING AT THE WINTHROP HOTEL OWER THE DISCS FRAGMENTS AND THAT THE B- TWENTYFIVE WHICH CRASHED THE MORNING OF AUGUST ONE WAS SABOTAGED OR SHOT DOWN. INFORMATION AS YET NOT VERIFIED INDICATED THE ENTIRE STORY STARTED BY [redacted] AND [redacted] POSSIBLY TO PROMOTE SALE OF SLAG FOUND IN A GRAVEL PIT ON MAURY ISLAND, WN. NO INFORMATION AVAILABLE AS YET AS TO THE IDENTITY OF THE INDIVIDUAL WHO MADE THE ANONYMOUS PHONE CALL TO THE TACOMA TIMES AND THE UNITED PRESS, [redacted] AND [redacted] WILL BE INTERVIEWED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. INVESTIGATION CONTINUING. b6

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Director, FBI

FLYING DISCS

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The War Department has furnished this Bureau with the following telegram dated July 5 at New York, New York:

> "FOR FURTHER DETAILS CONCERNING FLYING DISKS SUGGEST IMMEDIATE CONTACT OF [redacted] ILLINOIS WHO MAY HAVE IMPORTANT INFORMATION CONCERNING THEIR ORIGIN."

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The War Department has furnished a memorandum entitled "Report on Flying Saucers", dated July 7, 1947, addressed to Commanding General, 32d AAF Base Unit, Bolling Field, Washington, D. C., from John D. Schindler, Jr., two copies of which are attached. The War Department has stated that the incidents referred to in the attached memorandum are in the general vicinity of [redacted] which was given as the address of [redacted] in the above telegram. b6

It is, therefore, desired that the Chicago Field Division conduct appropriate inquiries regarding [redacted] and in the event such inquiries do not reveal information indicating that he should not be interviewed, he should be interrogated for any information he might have relative to flying discs. It is desired that this matter be handled as soon as possible and the Bureau promptly advised. b6

Enclosure

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : FBI

DATE: 16 July 47

FROM : WDGS, US BRANCH

SUBJECT: [redacted] b6

1. Attached hereto:

a. Copy of unsigned telegram received by HQ, AAF 9 July 1947, in which it is indicated that [redacted] Illinois may have information concerning the origin of the "flying saucers".

b. Copy of a report on flying saucers which were observed by four witnesses while in flight in two airplanes over southern Wisconsin.

c. Map with indications as to proximity of the locations where the flying saucers were reported to have been seen in relation to [redacted], Ill. b6

2. In view of the fact that the time the observation of the flying saucers was made corresponds closely with the date of the unsigned telegram, and considering the proximity of [redacted] to the points where the objects were observed, it is requested that [redacted] be investigated to determine whether or not he has information pertaining to the origin of Flying Saucers. b6

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MAJOR PAUL GAYNOR

AAF HQTS WASHDC

FOR FURTHER DETAILS CONCERNING FLYING DISKS SUGGEST IMMEDIATE CONTACT OF [redacted] b6 ILLINOIS WHO MAY HAVE IMPORTANT INFORMATION CONCERNING THEIR ORIGIN

UNSIGNED

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ENCLOSURE

7 July 1947

SUBJECT: Report on Flying Saucers.

TO: Commanding General
32d AAF Base Unit
Bolling Field
Washington, D. C.

1. Following are statistics regarding reports by four witnesses while in flight in two airplanes.

2. Weather CAVU. Visibility exceptionally good. Scattered altocumulus 6000 feet.

3. First report: time 1145 hours CST. Alt. of observers 800 feet above the ground. Altitude of saucer 4000 feet MSL. Observed period - First sighted over Koshkonong, Wisconsin. Flight was observed from town of Koshkonong to Elkhorn, Wisconsin. This flight covered twenty-five (25) miles in fifteen (15) seconds, which is a speed of six thousand (6000) miles per hour.

4. Second report: Time 1430 hours CST. Altitude of observers thirty-five hundred feet (3500) MSL. Altitude of saucer twenty-five hundred feet (2500). Observation period. Observers at East Troy, Wisconsin, flight observed from Eagle, Wisconsin to Muskego, Wisconsin. This flight covered twenty-two (22) miles in twenty (20 seconds, which is a speed of three thousand nine hundred sixty (3960) miles per hour.

5. Flight maneuvers: First observation-saucer descended vertically edgewise through altocumulus clouds, stopped at four thousand (4000) feet and assumed horizontal position and proceeded in horizontal flight from a horizontal position for fifteen (15) seconds covering twenty-five (25) miles and again stopped and disappeared. Second observation: Observed in horizontal flight in a horizontal attitude for a period of twenty (20) seconds covering twenty-two (22) miles. By the time the pilot had removed his camera from the glove compartment of his plane, the saucer disappeared and again reappeared approximately ten (10) miles farther along its course after six (6) seconds making its final disappearance.

6. The first two observers were an instructor and a student, having just taken off from Elkhorn Airport. The second two observers, one being [redacted] and a passenger. 66

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ENCLOSURE

John D. Schindler, Jr.
Maj. Air Corps, AAF-CAP Liaison Officer.

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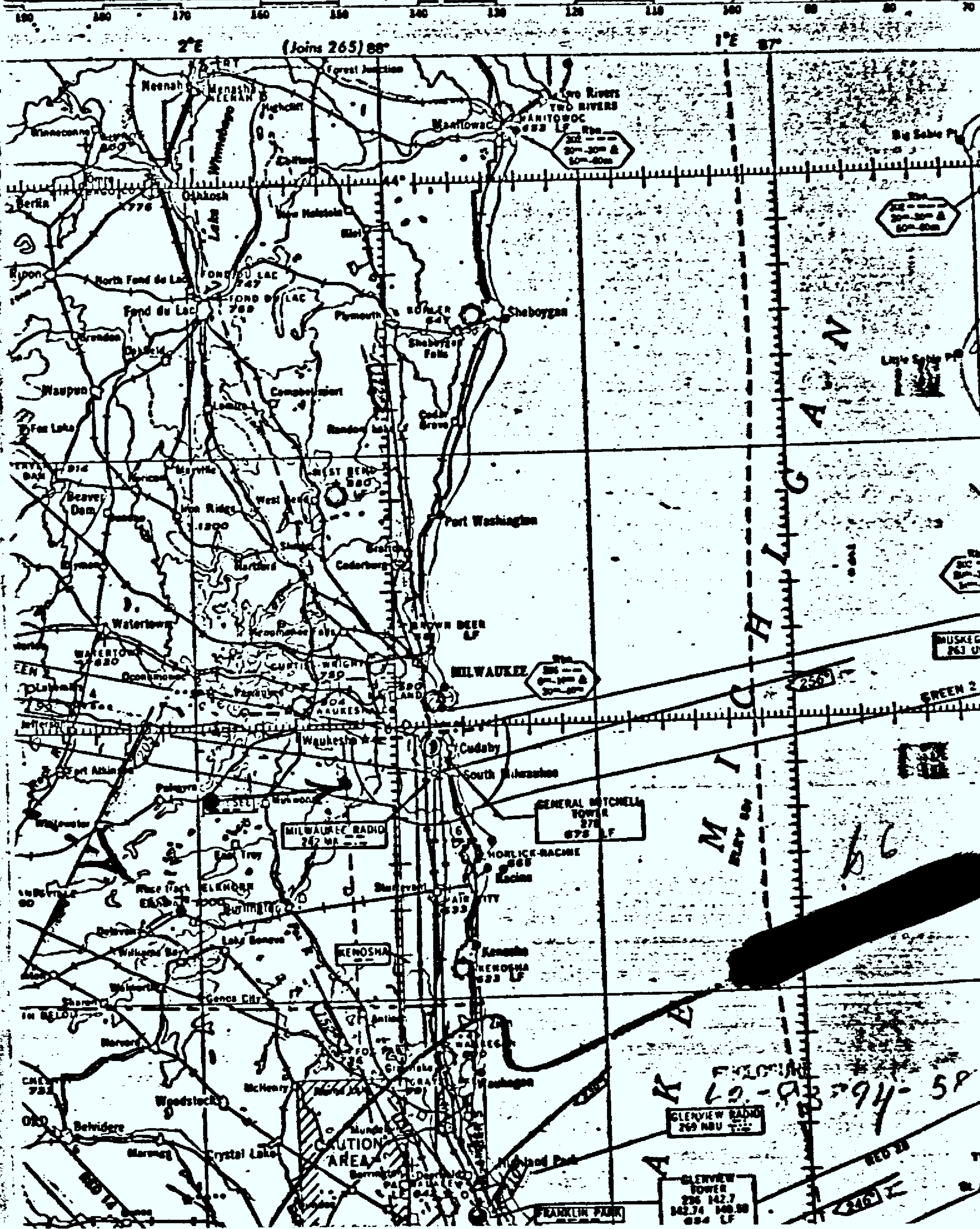

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: D. M. LADD

OM : E. G. Fitch

DATE: 7/21/47

BJECT: FLYING SAUCERS

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[redacted]

Colonel Carl Golbranson of the Intelligence Division of the War partment advised Special Agent S. W. Reynolds of the Liaison Section that e War Department has received a telegram, dated New York, New York, July 5, follows:

"FOR FURTHER DETAILS CONCERNING FLYING DISKS SUGGEST IMMEDIATE CONTACT OF [redacted] ILLINOIS WHO MAY HAVE PERTINENT INFORMATION CONCERNING THEIR ORIGIN."

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Colonel Golbranson furnished Mr. Reynolds with a copy of the memorandum titled "Report on Flying Saucers," dated July 7, 1947, addressed to Commanding neral, 503d AAF Base Unit, Bolling Field, Washington, D. C., from John D. Schindler, .. a copy of which is attached to this memorandum. The attached memorandum sets orth information and statistics regarding two reportings of incidents of flying isks. There is also attached hereto a map of the Illinois River area which was rnished to Mr. Reynolds by Colonel Golbranson. Colonel Golbranson stated that ccording to this map the incidents reported in the attached memorandum are in the neral vicinity of [redacted] which was given as the address of [redacted] [redacted] in the anonymous telegram received by the War Department.

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Colonel Golbranson advised that in view of the fact that the observation the flying saucers was made on July 7th and the date of the unsigned telegram s July 5th, together with the proximity of [redacted] to the points where the jects were observed, he desired the Bureau conduct some investigation of Shaver determine whether or not he has any information pertaining to the origin of the lying saucers.

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Mr. Reynolds advised Colonel Golbranson that his request would be made nown to you and the results of any investigation would be brought to his attention.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the field be directed to make inquiries regarding [redacted] and, if deemed advisable, interview him regarding any information that he as relative to flying discs. The results of any investigation should be forwarded to the Liaison Section for delivery to the Intelligence Division of the War Depart-ent.

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DIRECTOR "URGENT"

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FLYING DISC SIGHTED BY MRS. [redacted] SECURITY MATTER X.

CHICAGO HERALD AMERICAN TODAY REPORTED THAT [redacted] CHICAGO REPORTED SEEING A DISC THREE THIRTY AM TODAY SAILING ABOVE LAKE MICHIGAN OFF JACKSON PARK BEACH. LITTLE UNAVAILABLE FOR INTERVIEW TODAY. FATHER IN LAW [redacted] AVENUE, ADVISED LITTLE SIGHTED DISC OVER A MONTH AGO AND SHE IS EIGHTEEN YEARS OF AGE. NO FURTHER INQUIRY CONTEMPLATED.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Ladd

DATE: August 8, 1947

FROM : [redacted] b7C

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;
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[redacted]

There is attached a memorandum setting forth the pertinent information received by the Detroit Office from [redacted] and [redacted] relative to "flying discs." b7C

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that this material be personally delivered by the Liaison Section to the appropriate contact in the War Department.

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Attachment to S. C. Jacobus M.I.D. 8/11/47

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Information was received from the Dow Chemical Company, Midland, Michigan, that on July 10, 1947, one [redacted] an employee of Dow Chemical Company since about 1922, brought some material to their Physics laboratory. He stated that about 5:15 p.m., July 9, he and his wife, Laura, were walking in a field when they heard a puff noise about one hundred feet away. They turned and saw a ball of white about the size of a bushel basket burning approximately a foot off of the ground. The fire died out immediately and later Lane scooped up a three inch area of fused sand into a can for examination at their laboratory. b7c

Upon interview by FBI Agents, [redacted] told substantially the same story, but [redacted] was reluctant to talk and very indefinite about what happened. There were marked discrepancies in their stories. b7c

Dow authorities considered the story fantastic but have examined the material and state contents are: ordinary sand, not radio active, but giving off ammonia gas; a small silver nugget almost pure except for sand mixed in it, not radio active; molted or fused sand which gives off ammonia odor and little droplets of silver melted in sand and some grayish color material which is radio active. The level of radio activity in this material is extremely low. An employee of Dow, formerly employed by the Government at Los Alamos Project, stated the fused sand has some characteristics of Los Alamos sand but he does not believe it is the same.

[redacted] is known to have in his possession a small quantity of luminous paint, radio active, to be an amateur photographer and to have a limited knowledge of chemistry and physics. He is described as very peculiar, surly, antagonistic to plant protection officers and interested in photography and electricity. Lane is white, was born May 7, 1902, at Freesoil, Michigan. He is 5' 9½", weighs 145 pounds, has dark brown hair, partly bald, served in the U.S. Army from 1918 to 1923. [redacted] b7c

Neither [redacted] will admit their story is a prank. However, neither are able to point out the exact location of this incident. b7c

The Army Airforce Intelligence at Selfridge Field, Michigan, has been advised and the material has been turned over to them.

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UNSUBS, [redacted] INFORMATNTS, FLYING DISC, MISC. INFO RECEIVED FROM DOW CHEMICAL COMPANY, MIDLAND, MICHIGAN, THAT ON JULY TEN LAST [redacted] AN EMPLOYEE OF DOW AND SUBSIDIARY SINCE ABOUT NINETEEN TWENTY TWO, BROGUTH SOME MATERIAL TO THEIR PHYSICS LABORATORY STATING THAT ABOUT FIVE FEETEEN PM JULY NINE LAST HE AND WIFE, [redacted] WERE WALKING IN A FIELD OWNED BY DOW AND ABOUT A HUNDRED FEET AWAY HEARD A PUFF NOISE, TURNED AND SAW A BALL OF WHITE ABOUT THE SIZE OF A BUSHEL BAKET BURNING ABOUT A FOOT OFF THE GROUND. THE FIRE DIED OUT IMMEDIATELY AND [redacted] LATER SCOOPED UP A THREE INCH AREA OF FUSED SAND INTO A CAN AND TOOK THIS TO THE PHYSICS LAB. BOTH COMPLAINANTS INTERVIEWED. [redacted] TELLING SUBSTANTIALLY SAME STORY BUT WIFE RELUCTANT TO TALK AND VERY INDEFINITE ON WHAT HAPPENED. THERE ARE MAKRED DISCREPANCIES IN THEIR STORY. DOW AUTHORITIES CONSIDERED STORY FANTASTIC BUT HAVE EXAMINED MATERIAL AND STATE CONTENTS TO BE ORDINARY SAND, NOT RADIO ACTIVE , BUT GIVING OFF AMMONIA GAS, A SMALL SILVER NUGGET ALMOT PURE EXCEPT FOR SAND MISED IN IT NOT RADIO ACTIVE, MELTED OR FUSED SAND WHICH GIVES OFF AMMONIA ODOR, AND LITTLE DROPLETS OF SILVER MELTED IN SAND AND SOME OTHER GRAYISH COLOR IN MATERIAL WHICH IS RADIO ACTIVE. LEVEL OF RADIO ACTIVITY EXTREMELY LOW AND EMPLOYEE FORMERLY EMPLOYED BY GOVERNMET AT LOS ALAMOS PROJECT STATES FUSED SAND HAS SOME CHARACTERISIC

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OF LOS ALAMOS SAND BUT NOT BELIEVED TO BE THE SAME. [redacted] [redacted] KNOWN TO HAVE IN HIS POSSESSION SMALL QUANTITY OF LUMINOUS PAINT, RADIO ACTIVE, TO BE AN AMATEUR PHOTOGRAPHER, TO HAVE LIMITED KNOWLEDGE OF CHEMISTRY AND PHYSICS FROM EMPLOYMENT AT DOW. [redacted] DESCRIBED AS VERY PECULIAR, SURLY, ANTAGONISTIC TO PLANT PROTECTION OFFICERS, INTERESTED IN PHOTOGRAPHY AND ELECTRICITY. [redacted] IS WHITE, BORN MAY SEVEN, NINETEEN NAUGHT TWO, AT FREESOIL, MICHIGAN, FIVE FEET NINE AND ONE HALF, ONE HUNDRED FORTY FIVE POUNDS, DARK BROWN HAIR, PARTLY BALD, SERVED US ARMY NINETEEN EIGHTEEN TO NINETEEN TWENTY THREE, [redacted] NEITHER PARTY ADMITS STORY IS A PRANK, BUT [redacted] HAS MENTIONED FLYING DISCS AND ROCKETS. ON INTERVIEW [redacted] WAS RELUCTANT TO DISCUSS MATTER AND NEITHER HE NOR HIS WIFE ARE ABLE TO LOCATE THE EXACT LOCATION WHERE MATERIAL WAS FOUND. ARMY AIR FORCES INTELLIGENCE AT SELFRIDGE FIELD, MICHIGAN, HAVE BEEN ADVISED. SUTEL IF BUREAU DESIRES MATERIAL FORWARDED TO FBI LABORATORY FOR EXAMINATION.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI - Attention: Assistant Director D. M. LADD

DATE: August 8, 1947

FROM : SAC, San Francisco

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SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS

Reference is made to my letter to the Bureau dated July 28, 1947 entitled as above forwarding a copy of a report furnished to me by Lieutenant [redacted] Fourth Air Force, Hamilton Field, California, setting forth the results of inquiries made by his office concerning the reported sightings of flying discs.

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As of further interest to the Bureau in this regard, there are transmitted herewith photostatic copies of three letters dated August 4, 1947 and entitled "Investigation of Flying Discs," furnished to me by [redacted] [redacted]AC of S, A-2, Army Air Forces, Hamilton Field, California, who is acting in the absence of [redacted], enclosing copies of reports of additional reported sightings of flying discs by persons in Oregon and Arizona, together with the results of their investigations in that regard.

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It is noted that these investigations were conducted prior to the time Bureau instructions were issued that our own Bureau would conduct inquiries into the reported sightings of flying discs.

Copies of these reports are being forwarded to the Portland and Phoenix Offices for the completion of their files in connection with this subject.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI DATE: August 13, 1947

FROM : SAC, NEWARK

SUBJECT: FLYING DISC REPORTED AT
HACKENSACK, NEW JERSEY
AUGUST 3, 1947 - MISCELLANEOUS

Reference is made to the teletype from the Newark Division to the Bureau dated August 4, 1947 stating that a "Flying Disc" had been reported to have been seen at Hackensack, New Jersey on August 3 last by one [redacted] Hackensack, upon interview by Special Agent [redacted] of this Division, stated that on August 3 he had been standing with [redacted], a soldier stationed at Fort Dix, observing a "ham" radio rig atop a two-story house on Simons Avenue, Hackensack. It was approximately 7:45 p.m., and they were in this vicinity for the purpose of meeting [redacted] girlfriend, one [redacted]. b7c b7c

[redacted] commented to [redacted] that a child had apparently lost its balloon. [redacted] looked and about a block or a half block away noticed a round, black object moving from south to north and east of the stop where he and [redacted] were standing. [redacted] noticed that it was moving too fast to be an ordinary balloon, but he could not discern whether it was globular in form or a disc. He said it was about thirty to forty inches in diameter moving north in a horizontal plane about two hundred yards above the top of the hill at Summit Avenue and Simons Avenue. It proceeded at a steady rate, emitted no rays, and was moving fast enough to require them to turn their heads steadily in order to follow it. [redacted] girlfriend came out about fifteen seconds after they first sighted it. They pointed it out to her, and she said that it looked like a bird on the horizon so small. It faded out of sight shortly thereafter. [redacted] said that a line drawn along its apparent course of flight would go from the vicinity of Bendix, New Jersey to a point west of Westwood, New Jersey. b7c

[redacted] also said that a man on the porch across the street also noticed it and pointed it out to the women. [redacted] said that this man seemed excited but did nothing about it. b7c

[redacted] said that he was positive it was no optical illusion. He was not facing into the sun and saw the object clearly. He also said that he would have thought nothing of it except for the speed at which it was traveling. b7c

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Miss [redacted] upon interview by Special Agent [redacted] stated that the event in question occurred at about 7:30 on the evening of Sunday, August 3. She said that she was in the house when [redacted] called to her. She went out immediately, and they pointed out the object in question. She saw it just before it disappeared over the horizon, but she declared that it was in view from that time for approximately one minute. She said it was round and silver-blue in color and appeared to be revolving. b7C She said that she did not recall making any comment that it might have been a bird and herself had no idea of what it could be. In view of the distance from which she noticed it, she said that it could not have been more than six inches in diameter but would have been much larger if she had been near to it. [redacted] said that she had never seen anything like it before.

She said that across the street the [redacted] daughter, were the only people sitting on the porch and she, herself, did not notice anyone pointing toward the object in question. The b7C only other person around, to her knowledge, was [redacted] sister of [redacted] who remained in the house and did not see the object at all.

[redacted] stated that she was on the porch on the evening in question with her mother but did b7C not notice any unusual object in the sky nor had any man been present there to point out the object in question.

The following information was received from [redacted]rough b7C interview by Special Agen[redacted]

[redacted] Company G, 2nd Battalion, 47th Infantry Regiment, 9th Division, Fort Dix, New Jersey, advised he was born April 12, 1930 at Jersey City, New Jersey and completed eight and one half years of school. He enlisted in the United States Army on May 29, 1947. His mother is Mrs. [redacted] b7C of [redacted] Bergen County, New Jersey. [redacted] stated that on Sunday, August 3, 1947, at 8:00 p.m., he was standing outside the home of his girlfriend, [redacted] [redacted] Hackensack, New Jersey, accompanied by [redacted] Hackensack, New Jersey, who is his sister's fiance. He said that he and [redacted] were looking at the radio antenna on a home near the [redacted] address when they noticed an object about two to three feet in diameter moving rapidly about two hundred yards off the ground. [redacted] said he thought at first it was a child's balloon, but when he noticed there was no wind and the object had no strings to it, he decided it was something else. He stated the object was moving in a steady, straight path, going north, and he said there was no exhaust or indication of any motive power for the object. [redacted] said they observed the object for fifteen or twenty seconds. He could not give a description of the object's color or the material it was composed of but said it looked more like a large, flat child's cup than anything else he could think of, as the object was oval on the top and came to a point on the bottom side. [redacted] said that [redacted] stated "Maybe it's a flying saucer". He said he had never seen anything move through the air quite like this object, and he had no idea where it came from.

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[redacted] stated that neither he nor [redacted] had had anything to drink, and there was sufficient light for them to observe the object very clearly.

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The "Flying Disc" was reported by [redacted] to [redacted] of the Hackensack Police Department. [redacted] advised the writer that his Department had taken no further action nor had they received reports of the object in question from any other source. It may be noted that no other Police Department in the vicinity has brought to the attention of this Division any information regarding this matter.

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SECTION 3

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. LADD

DATE: October 9, 1947

Mr. Clegg
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Harbo

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS

There are attached hereto photographs of various reports received by the Air Corps in connection with the above-captioned matter. These photographs were made available to Special Agent [redacted] of the Liaison Section by Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] of the Intelligence Division of the Air Force for completion of Bureau files.

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RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that this memorandum be made available to Supervisor [redacted] of the Internal Security Section for his information.

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HEADQUARTERS
AIR DEFENSE COMMAND
MITCHEL FIELD, NEW YORK

IN REPLY
REFER TO:

Classification (cancelled) (~~changed to~~ ________), effective on 21 Nov 77 ________ under the authority of ACS/I ________ by ACS/I, USAF

12 September 1947

SUBJECT: Unidentified Flying Object
[redacted] b6

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION:

The following information was received 12 August 1947 from [redacted] New Hyde Park, Long Island, relative to the sighting of a possible flying disc 4 August 1947. b6

On 4 August 1947, [redacted], an [redacted] with Pan American Airways, Inc., was the first pilot of a Constellation type aircraft on a flight from Gander, Newfoundland, to La Guardia Field, New York. [redacted] took over the aircraft at Gander, Newfoundland and departed at approximately 1230 P.M., Eastern Daylight Saving Time for La Guardia Field, New York. At 1600 P.M., at a position approximately midway between the Everett (Mass) Fan Marker and the Bedford Radio Beacon (Everett is 3 miles NW of Boston, Mass., and Bedford is 15 miles NW of the same city) both [redacted] sighted unidentifiable flying objects. To the best of [redacted], the following weather conditions existed at that time: Visibility was good; cloud coverage was from 6-8/10ths, with tops at 10,000 feet; and the wind at the 8,000 foot level was estimated as being 270/25 miles per hour. The aircraft was at 8,000 feet; airspeed 265 mph; and the course was 244 degrees, magnetic. b6

[redacted] who was sitting in the co-pilots seat (the right side of the cockpit) first called [redacted] attention to a bright orange object,, which was on the right side of the plane, and slightly below the level of the aircraft. [redacted] was unable to see the object, as he had no visibility to the right and down, from his position. [redacted] immediately glanced out his side window and noticed, at a 45° angle to the left, and unidentified flying object. It was about one mile away at an altitude of approximately 7,800 feet. [redacted] banked to obtain a better view of the object. The object was under observation for approximately 30 seconds, and during this time was viewed by [redacted] [redacted] described the object as being about the length of a P-40 fuselage, blunt at both ends, cylindrical in shape, and having a bright orange hue. [redacted] stated that the object had a definite shape, and that there was no suggestion of gaseous dissipation as there would be if the orange color were the exhaust from a rocket, or a jet aircraft. [redacted] estimated the course of the object to be 200° magnetic, and that the object was travelling at approximately 160 mph. [redacted] lost sight of the object, when a cloud came between the aircraft and the object. The pursuit of the object was not continued, inasmuch as it would have necessitated a departure from the established airways. b6

[redacted]

AGENTS NOTES: [redacted] is a graduate of the Aviation Cadet Flying Training Program, having graduated from Maxwell Field, Alabama, with the Class of [redacted]. Since graduation, [redacted] has flown for Pan American Airways and, at this date, has over 4,000 command pilot hours to his credit. [redacted] appears to be a calm, intelligent individual, not given to flights of fancy, or easily swayed by what he has previously read in the newspapers as regards reports of this type. [redacted] has a fear of publicity and seemed hesitant to even tell his story lest he become the object of ridicule. [redacted] was questioned as to the possibility that what he sighted might have been a tow target, a pilot balloon, or a radiosonic device used for meteorological purposes. [redacted] stated that he has seen numerous pilot balloons, radiosonic devices and tow targets, while on flights; the object observed on this flight definitely was not one of them. b6

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AIR DEFENSE COMMAND
MITCHEL FIELD, NEW YORK

IN REPLY
REFER TO:

15 September 1947

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SUBJECT: Unidentified Flying Objects
[redacted]

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SUMMARY OF INFORMATION:

The following information relative to the sighting of a possible flying disc 4 August 1947, was received 10 September 1947 from [redacted] Jackson Heights, New York. b6

On 4 August 1947, [redacted] Pan American Airways Inc., was the navigator of a Constellation type aircraft on a flight from Gander, Newfoundland to La Guardia Field, New York. At 1600, at a position approximately 10 miles NW of Boston, Mass., [redacted] sighted a flying object which he was unable to identify. At this time [redacted] was sitting in the co-pilots seat, and looking out the right side for other aircraft that might be in the vicinity. [redacted] stated that when he first sighted the object, it appeared to be about 3 miles away, and at least 1,000 feet below the level of the Constellation. [redacted] believes that he studied the object for almost 30 seconds before he called the pilot's attention to it. [redacted] describes the object as being a deep gold in color, and that its' surface reflected light. It appeared to be about 13 feet in length, and from 2-3 feet in depth; elliptical in shape and blunted at the ends. [redacted] estimated the speed of the object as being 175 miles per hour, and that it was travelling in an easterly direction, on a course of approximately 110° magnetic. [redacted] then told the aircraft commander that there was an unidentified object to the right, and again glanced out to observe the object, catching a momentary glimpse of it before the pilot banked the plane to the left. When the aircraft banked [redacted]ost sight of the object. At this point, [redacted] the aircraft Captain, exclaimed that he was able to see a similar object on his side. [redacted] was unable to see the object on [redacted]ide. He stated that he does not believe that it was the same object that he had viewed inasmuch as the one he saw if it had remained on the same course would have been hidden from view by that time by the wings and tail section of the Constellation. [redacted]tated that the pilot then righted the plane. The entire incident transpired in less than a minute and one-half. b6

[redacted]cribes the weather condition at the time of sighting as follows: about 8/10th scattered cumulus, with tops at 10,000 feet; visibility 10 miles; wind at flight level, West at about 15 mph. The flight level of the aircraft at this time was 8,000 feet; TAS 270, and the magnetic course was [illegible] b6

AGENTS NOTES: [redacted] has been employed by Pan American Airways for the past [redacted]as a Navigator, and during the war worked with PAA

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in conjunction with contract flying for the AAF. [redacted] states that he has flown with [redacted] on a number of occasions, and he considers him to be a very stable person; completely reliable, and not given to "flights of fancy".

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Related Report: See Summary of Information, 12 September 1947, Hq ADC, subject, "Unidentified Flying Objects" (interview - [redacted].

Previous Distribution:
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Report on Local "Flying Disc"
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HQ., AIR DEFENSE COMMAND, Mitchel Field, New York, 25 July 1947.

TO: Commanding General, Army Air Forces, Washington 25, D. C.
ATTN: AC/AS-2

Forwarded for your information.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

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Colonel, GSC
Asst Chief of Staff-Intell.

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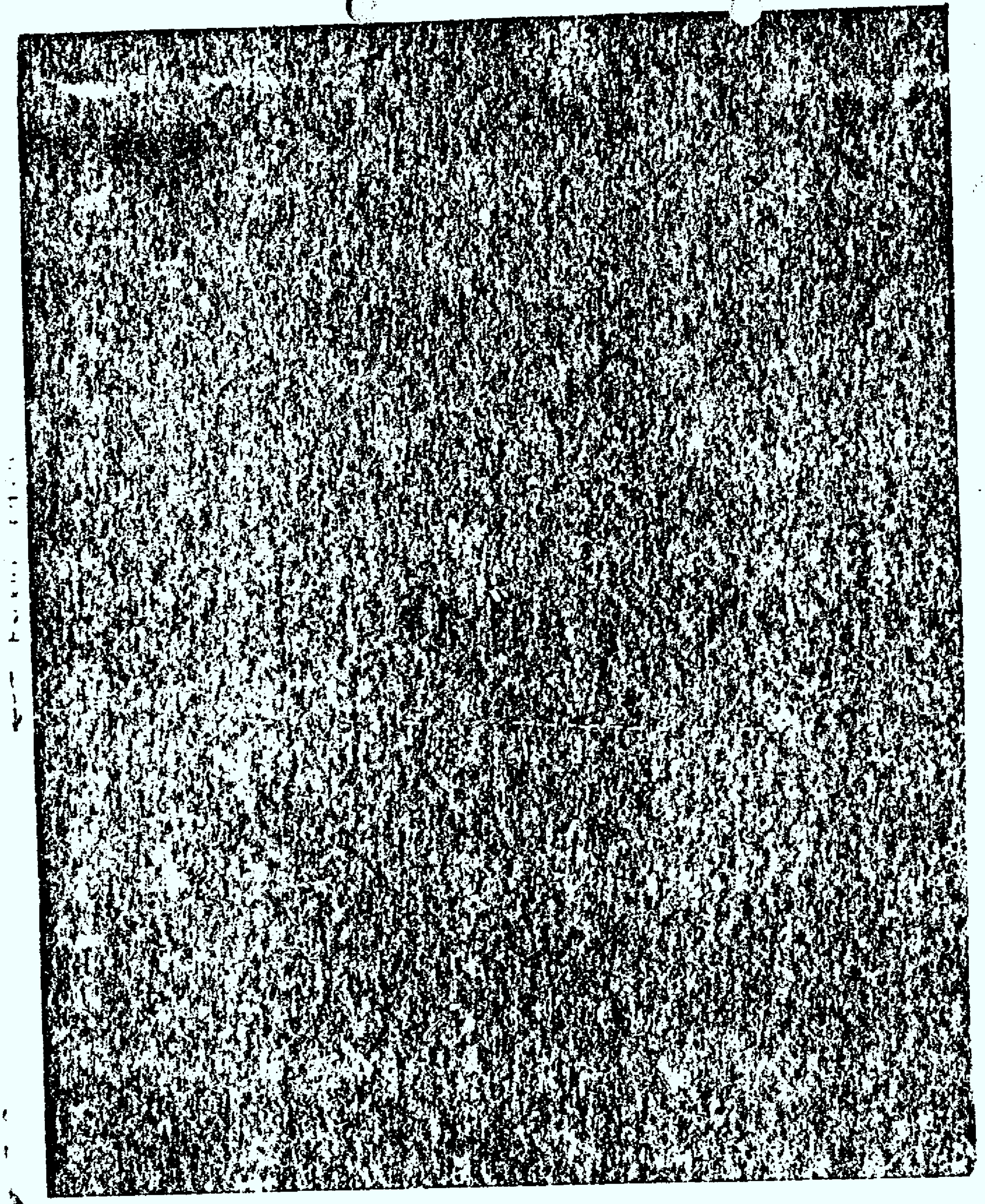

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From detailed study of reports select[illegible] for their i[illegible]ession of veracity and reliabilit[illegible] several conclusions have been [illegible]med:

(a) This "flying saucer" situation is not all imaginary or seeing too much in some natural phenomenon. Something is really flying around.

(b) Lack of topside inquiries, when compared to the prompt and demanding inquiries that have originated topside upon former events, give more than ordinary weight to the possibility that this is a domestic project, about which the President, etc. know.

(c) Whatever the objects are, this much can be said of their physical appearance:

1. The surface of these objects is metallic, indicating a metallic skin, at least.

2. When a trail is observed, it is lightly colored, a Blue-Brown haze, that is similar to a rocket engine's exhaust. Contrary to a rocket of the solid type, one observation indicates that the fuel may be throttled which would indicate a liquid rocket engine.

3. As to shape, all observations state that the object is circular or at least elliptical, flat on the bottom and slightly domed on the top. The size estimates place it somewhere near the size of a C-54 or a Constellation.

4. Some reports describe two tabs, located at the rear and symetrical about the axis of flight motion.

5. Flights have been reported, from three to nine of them, flying good formation on each other, with speeds always above 300 knots.

6. The discs oscillate laterally while flying along, which could be snaking.

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or Birmingham and Vicinity—Partly cloudy and warm today, tonight and tomorrow with a few scattered showers this afternoon. High today 86, low tonight 70, high tomorrow 90.

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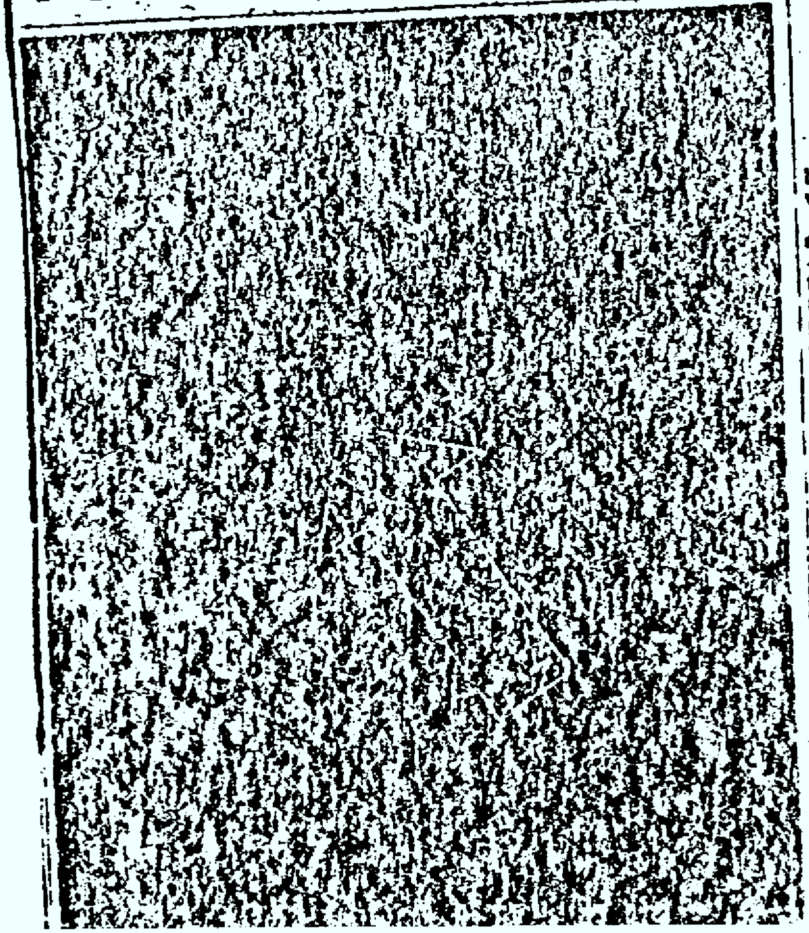
'Flying Saucers' Reported From 39 States, But Seem To Be Concentrated Here



City Is Baffled By Dazzling Display Of Spooky Discs

The strange things that have been in night skies since June 25, were over Birmingham last night.

On one thing everyone who has seen the mysterious objects agree—they are round, saucer-like. After that, every story differs. Each of the hundreds of callers who reported witnessing the baffling sky demonstrations here last night had a different version of what they saw.

Some said the objects were large, some small. They were moving at great speed. They were suspended in the air. There was sound along with their movements. They moved noiselessly through the black sky. They were at great distance from the earth. They had fallen to the ground. They were in perfect formation. They were colliding with each other.

But whatever the things are that have set the nation agog since first reported 12 days ago by a man in Washington State, they definitely were over the Magic City last night. It seems, in fact, that more Birmingham residents saw the objects than in any other place.

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REPORTS BEGAN coming into the Age-Herald city room around 8 o'clock last night. For more than an hour thereafter, the place was bedlam. The switchboard operators were swamped with calls. Report-

STANDARD F.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: September 27, 1947

FROM : SAC, Butte

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SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS SIGHTED MAY 5, 1947,
BETWEEN ELLENSBURG AND SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

[redacted] Montana State Prison, Deer Lodge, Montana, has advised the writer that while driving between Ellensburg and Seattle, Washington, about 3:30 P.M., on May 5, 1947, he sighted a silver object streaking across the sky. This was also seen by [redacted], convict chauffeur, and [redacted] This object went into a nose dive and they thought it would crash. However, before reaching the earth it disintegrated, leaving a long pillar of "gas" hanging in the sky. It was particularly odd because this remained in form and did not blow away. It was observed by these three people while they drove from twenty to thirty miles. b7c

This smoky, gaseous pillar was a long ways off and remained high in the air. [redacted] said that this silver object was traveling at an excessively high rate of speed and when it disintegrated it was still a long way from the earth. [redacted] said when he first saw it he thought it was probably a jet propelled plane but that he couldn't tell except that its motions were erratic. He said he had not reported it until he had noticed so much in the papers about these discs. Although three people saw it, they decided that they must be "seeing things". b7c

The Seattle Office is requested to advise Mr. [redacted] 4th Air Force, S-2, McChord Field, Washington. b7c

No further action is being taken by the Butte Office due to the time elapsing between the sighting of this object and the report.

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cc - Seattle

Info furnished to [redacted] 10/7/47

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
422 - Federal Office Building, Civic Center
San Francisco 2, California

FOR VICTORY BUY UNITED STATES WAR BONDS AND STAMPS

IN REPLY, PLEASE REFER TO
FILE NO. ____________

September 19, 1947

Director, FBI

Attention: Assistant Director D. M. LADD

RE: REPORTS OF FLYING DISCS [redacted] b7C

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting herewith copies of a "restricted" letter dated September 3, 1947, which was furnished to me by Lieutenant Colonel [redacted], A-2, Army Air Forces, Hamilton Field, California, which letter is designated to certain Commanding Generals in the Army Air Forces from Colonel [redacted] Assistant Chief of Staff - Intelligence, Headquarters Air Defense Command, Mitchel Field, New York, concerning "Cooperation of FBI with AAF on Investigations of 'Flying Disc' Incidents". b7C

It is my understanding from recent Bureau instructions that we are to assist the Air Force Intelligence personnel in the investigation of flying disc incidents. However, it will be noted from the attached letter that it is Army interpretation that it was their intent that the Bureau would investigate those incidents of the so-called "discs" being found on the ground and apparently not those which are observed only in flight. Further, the attention of the Bureau is respectfully called to paragraph two of this letter and to the last sentence therein which states, "The services of the FBI were enlisted in order to relieve the numbered Air Forces of the task of tracking down all the many instances which turned out to be ash can covers, toilet seats and whatnot."

In the first place, the instructions issued by the Army Air Forces in this letter appear to limit the type of investigations which the Bureau will be asked to handle and secondly it appears to me the wording of the last sentence in the second paragraph mentioned above is cloaked in entirely uncalled for language tending to indicate the Bureau will be asked to conduct investigations only in those cases which are not important and which are almost, in fact, ridiculous.

The thought has occurred to me the Bureau might desire to discuss this matter further with the Army Air Forces both as to the types of investigations which we will conduct and also to object to the scurrilous wordage which, to say the least, is insulting to the Bureau in the last sentence of paragraph two.

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Director, FBI 9/19/47

RE: REPORTS OF FLYING DISCS

In the event the Bureau decides to discuss the matter further with the Army Air Forces, it is recommended that no indication whatsoever be given indicating this letter was referred to me by Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] inasmuch as it would undoubtedly cause him serious embarrassment and would certainly cause the excellent personal relationship which exists between Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] and this office to be endangered.

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Very truly yours,

Harry M. Kimball

Harry M. Kimball
Special Agent in Charge

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(D) FLYING DISCS --Effective immediately, the Bureau has discontinued its investigative activities as outlined in Section B of Bureau Bulletin No. 42, Series 1947, dated July 30, 1947.

All future reports connected with flying discs should be referred to the Air Forces and no investigative action should be taken by Bureau Agents.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: Sept. 12, 1947

FROM : SAC, SEATTLE

[redacted]

SUBJECT: FLYING DISKS Reported by BRUCE ARMSTRONG
and M. A. NICHOLS, Seattle, Washington,
August 12, 1947
SECURITY MATTER X

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The newspaper, Seattle Post Intelligencer, carried an article in the morning issue of August 13 reporting the sighting of flying disks. The article appeared on the fifth page and was headed "Blue Triangle LatestThing Seen In Disks". Under this caption there was a short writeup which stated, in substance, that one BRUCE ARMSTRONG, an electronics technician, and a number of other engineers at the Boeing Aircraft had sighted a mysterious flying object about 2:20 p.m. on August 12. The newspaper report further stated that the object seemed to be fluttering like a leaf, and appeared to be a black or dark blue triangular substance. In this article also appeared another report of a disk supposedly sighted by one M. A. NICHOLS, 1125 S. W. 102nd Street, Seattle, and NICHOLS described it as a big ball reflecting light, giving it a purplish tinge.

Interview with BRUCE ARMSTRONG on August 13 revealed that ARMSTRONG was standing in front of Section D of the Boeing Aircraft Plant with about ten other research engineers and had noticed a small black object flying about 200 feet high, going south over Boeing Field runway. ARMSTRONG further stated, upon interview, that the object appeared triangular in shape and floated in the air like a leaf, and he estimated the speed to be about fifteen miles per hour. ARMSTRONG could not accurately determine the distance between him and the object, but it is noted that Section D is about half a mile from the opposite side of Boeing Field where he supposedly had sighted it.

The following other research engineers were also interviewed regarding this object:

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The consensus of opinion of these men was that the object resembled a black leaf in flight and looked more like a piece of tar paper than anything. When the object reached the end of the runway in Boeing Field it climbed into the sky in a southwesterly direction and disappeared.

Mr. [redacted] operator of the control tower for the Northwest Airlines was then contacted. [redacted] stated that he reviews all reports of objects seen in the vicinity of the field and makes a log of such. [redacted] reviewed his log but could not see any record of such an item, but upon contact with Mr. [redacted] [redacted] who was on duty at the time the object was supposedly sighted, the following information was obtained: [redacted] stated that about 2 o'clock in the

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afternoon there were several pieces of burnt paper which flew over the field, and he did recall a large piece of burnt paper which the wind had blown across the runway and down the south end of the field. [redacted] estimated that the paper was approximately three feet in length. [redacted] stated that undoubtedly this was the object in question, and inasmuch as the control tower has a complete view of the area in which the engineers had sighted this object if anything further was noted it would have appeared in the log.

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[redacted], was then interviewed regarding his report of a flying object. [redacted] stated that about 4 p.m. on August 12 he had sighted an object which he estimated to be about 35,000 feet in the air, which was flying over his home in a southwest direction. A neighbor, [redacted] also saw the object and [redacted] examined the same with a pair of binoculars. According to [redacted] the object looked like a white dock moving, cylindrical in shape, and reflected the light of the sun with a sort of purplish tinge. Other witnesses who had seen the object at this time were a [redacted] of [redacted] Seattle, and their version of the object corresponded with that of [redacted]

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Contact with [redacted], of the Seattle Weather Bureau Office at Boeing Field, revealed that weather balloons are released every six hours from his field commencing at 1:30 a.m. The balloons, according to Mr. [redacted] are of a white gum color and reflect the light of the sun at a high altitude. Although Mr. [redacted] could not understand why a balloon could have been sighted at 4 p.m., he nevertheless was certain that, from the description of the object seen by these people, it must have been either one of his balloons or one released from some other area in the vicinity.

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No further investigation is being conducted in this matter by this office.

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September 24, 1947

[redacted] b7C
Inspector
Post Office Department
Chicago 7, Illinois

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Alleged violation of Section 2350, P. L. & R., by des Aro Foundation; sale of information on flying discs.

Reference is made to your letter dated September 19, 1947, requesting information regarding one [redacted] b7C

You are advised that an effective search cannot be conducted through the files of the Identification Division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation on the basis of the name only. If you are able to furnish the physical description of [redacted] or other means of identification such as a registry number, a search will be conducted in an effort to furnish you with the information desired. b7C

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POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT
BUREAU OF THE CHIEF INSPECTOR
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR
Chicago 7, Illinois
September 19, 1947.

T. H. Barkow
INSPECTOR
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CASE NO. 56114-F

LAKE FOREST, ILLINOIS: Alleged violation of Section 2350, P. L. & R., by Res arc Foundation, sale of information on flying discs.

Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

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The subject involved in case of above description is [redacted] formerly of Lake Forest, Illinois, who may also have given a Chicago address at various times. b7c

Can you advise whether you have a record of this man and if so, will you please forward a copy of same to me.

Sincerely yours,

T. H. Barkow

Post Office Inspector.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: September 13, 1947

FROM : SAC, SEATTLE

[redacted]

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SUBJECT: FLYING DISC SIGHTED
July 29, 1947, near CANYON FERRY,
MONTANA, BY [redacted] b7c
SECURITY MATTER - X

Enclosed herewith for information of Bureau and Butte Division are copies of the following received September 2, 1947, from [redacted], 4th Air Force, S-2, McChord Field, Washington: b7c

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Letter to Military Intelligence Division, USA, McChord Field, Wash. from [redacted] dated 8/8/47, with enclosure of [redacted] "Report on a 'Flying Saucer'." b7c

No action being taken by Seattle.

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427 W 3d Avenue
Spokane, Washington
August 8, 1947

Military Intelligence Division, U.S.A.
McChord Field, Washington

Gentlemen:

Following the reading of an account of the visit of Mr. Kenneth Arnold, Boise, Idaho, as published in the Spokesman Review under date of August 7, 1947, the undersigned considered the enclosed account of an observation of a "flying saucer" would be of interest to you.

This account has not been given to any newspaper or other publication as yet.

Yours truly,

/s/ R. J. Madden

R. J. MADDEN
Division Plant Engr.
The Pac. Tel. & Tel. Co.

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ENCLOSURE

Report on a "Flying Saucer"

At or about 12:05 p.m., July 29, 1947, a sedan, driven by Steve Herrmann and carrying R. J. (Bob) Madden in the front seat and Karl Hermann in the rear seat, was proceeding northwesterly along the road leading from Canyon Ferry to York, both in Montana some 25 miles N.E. of Helena.

When at a point approximately 1/4 mile N.W. of Canyon Ferry, (as shown on Forest Service Map to be in the NE¼ of NE¼ of Sec. 10 T10N R1W) Karl suddenly shouted "See it! See it! There's a flying saucer!" Steve immediately slowed down and gradually brought the sedan to a stop, he and Bob meanwhile scanning the sky in the direction pointed by Karl in an effort to see the "flying saucer", but without success.

Approximately ten seconds elapsed between the time Karl reported seeing the "saucer", coming over the horizon at high speed from the southwest, (Karl first thought it a meteor) and travelling northeasterly, and the bringing of the car to a stop.

As the car came to a stop, Steve, Karl and Bob, simultaneously, saw the following:

Directly ahead, (N.W) 2 to 3 miles distant and approximately 3000 ft. above the ground, a bright disc hovering and fluttering in the air. Descending and rising through a vertical distance of fifty or a hundred feet for a period of about five seconds then, while at the top of an ascent, the "disc" suddenly swooped to the Northeast at tremendous speed and disappeared into the clear air within a distance of 200 ft. That is to say it did not pass beyond an obstruction to further visibility but "melted into thin air" as if because of tremendous speed.

This disc was, from the viewpoint of the observers, apparently 3 ft. diameter, circular and of no great thickness - approximately 3 or 4 inches.

The sky was blue with scattered small clouds, the sun was shining brightly and the disc gleamed and shimmered in the bright sunlight as if covered with highly polished nickel.

After the "disc" disappeared from view, the sedan and its occupants proceeded northwesterly along the road, but could discern no evidence of the presence of the "disc" along or adjacent to that thorofare.

It is to be remembered that the dimensions as stated above were as they appeared to the observers some 2 or 3 miles from the "disc" and the true dimensions must be considerably greater.

/s/ R. J. Madden,
R. J. MADDEN,
Division Plant Engr.
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: September 15, 1947

FROM : SAC, Salt Lake City

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS.

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Remytel tenth instant.

On September 10, 1947 an item relative to flying saucers appeared in the Salt Lake Tribune indicating that two young couples, Mr. and Mrs. GAYLON CALDWELL and Mr. and Mrs. RICHARD ANDERSON, Logan, Utah, who had been playing bridge, reported that they saw three brief flights of saucers, the first at 10:40 p.m. and two more before 11:10 p.m. the evening of September 8, 1947. This news article also contained the names of KEITH HUGHES, JOAN CROOKSTON, and Mr. and Mrs. FRED THUNELL of Logan who had likewise made separate reports of having observed these flying discs.

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Mr. and Mrs. RICHARD ANDERSON, when interviewed by an Agent of this office, advised that they, in company with Mr. and Mrs. GAYLON CALDWELL, observed approximately a dozen objects flying in group formation at about two or three thousand feet in the air. They stated that they first observed these objects on September 8, 1947 at 10:30 p.m. when their bridge game broke up and both couples went out on the porch. The ANDERSONS believed these objects to be similar in size to pigeons and stated that they seemed to be rather white and illuminated. They informed that the objects could have been birds; however, they appeared to be moving faster than birds as they circled the city in approximately one to two minutes, and then disappeared in a northern direction.

Mr. and Mrs. ANDERSON claimed to have observed no wing movement during the flight, and are unable to make up their minds as to exactly what they saw. Mr. ANDERSON informed that Mr. and Mrs. CALDWELL are presently en route to an unknown city in Nebraska.

Mr. KEITH HUGHES and JOAN CROOKSTON both advised that they were unable to state how their names appeared in the newspaper as having observed flying saucers inasmuch as neither had ever had the opportunity to view these flying objects, and the newspaper report was erroneous.

Mrs. FRED THUNELL advised that she, her husband, and five other people had observed flying objects between 10:30 and 11:00 p.m. on the evening of September 8, 1947. She stated that they saw five groups, each containing thirty-five to sixty small objects, which were rather yellowish white in color and were circling the city at a high rate of speed. Mrs. THUNELL stated that these objects were several thousand feet in the air and it was impossible for them to determine the size due to the distance, speed and cloudy conditions.

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Mrs. THUNELL informed that Mr. and Mrs. NORMAN HALL, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. ANDERSON, and Mrs. BESSIE HENDRICKS were present and observed the flying objects; however, none of them were able to determine what these objects might have been.

Info to [illegible] 11/14/47

Mr. and Mrs. NORMAN HALL, Logan, Utah, advised that they viewed flying objects traveling clockwise above the city at approximately 10:30 p.m. the evening of September 8, 1947. They informed that they first believed the objects to be lights of an airplane. However, these objects seemed to change in formation and appeared to be similar to a group of moving stars.

Mr. and Mrs. HALL believed these objects were traveling much faster than birds.

It was determined that Mr. and Mrs. H. P. ANDERSON and Mrs. BESSIE HENDRICKS were not available for interview:

[redacted], Military Intelligence Division, Fort Douglas, Salt Lake City, Utah, is being advised by letter of the results of this investigation. b7C

In view of the indefinite information furnished relative to this matter, no further investigation is being conducted by this office.

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25 August 1947

SUBJECT: Flying Saucer.

TO: Commanding General
Army Air Forces
Washington 25, D. C.
ATTN: AC/AS-2
Lt Col George Garrett

1. The specimens of an alleged "Flying Saucer" brought to this Command by Colonel H. M. McCoy, which were obtained by the FBI and given to Lt.Col Garrett, were examined to determine their connection, if any, with the so-called "Flying Saucers", or any project at Hq AMC, Wright Field. The specimens were carefully examined by both technicians of the Analysis Division (T-2) and Electronics Sub-division (T-3). The latter organization stated that these specimens definitely had no connection whatsoever with the "Mogul" project nor with any other research and development project of this Command.

2. It is also the opinion of this Command that these specimens have no connection with the so-called "Flying Saucer" or "Disc". These specimens, therefore, are considered as part of a hoax that could be perpetrated by most anyone seeking publicity or for any other reasons.

3. The specimens shown in the attached photograph include fragments of an undeterminable shape made from plaster of paris or similar ceramic and containing some electrical resistance wire for measurement or heating purposes. The condition of the ceramic indicates that the resistance wire was heated electrically at one time or another. These fragments could not be connected with any AMC project. The other articles at the top of the photograph reading from left to right are identified as follows:

a. An outmoded type of magnetic speaker diaphragm made of aluminum alloy, manufactured by The Nathaniel Baldwin Company of Salt Lake City, Utah, which was first patented May 1, 1913. This article cannot be connected with any AMC project.

b. The second and third articles are bakelite coil forms

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wrapped with ordinary thin enameled copper wire. These coils indicate that they were skillfully made at one time but were crudely rewrapped by one not familiar with the art of making a coil. These coils also have no connection with any AMC project.

c. The fourth article is a metallic box which is the remains of an electronic filter condenser made by the Polymet Manufacturing Company of New York, N. Y. This article also has no connection with any AMC project.

d. The fifth article is the remains of a metallic magnetic ring that could not be identified as any part of any device used at this command.

4. This information and attached photograph may be transmitted to the FBI to inform various agencies throughout the United States as to what action to take in the event other similar specimens are found.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

H. M. McCOY
Colonel, Air Corps
Deputy Commanding General
Intelligence (T-2)

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1 Photo 8-1/2x11
"Flying Saucer"

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. LADD

DATE: SEPTEMBER 23, 1947

FROM : E. G. FITCH

SUBJECT: INSTRUMENT FOUND ON FARM NEAR DANFORTH, ILLINOIS

Mr. Tolson
Mr. E. A. Tamm
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Carson
Mr. Egan
Mr. Gurnea
Mr. Harbo ✓
Mr. Mohr
Mr. Pennington
Mr. Quinn Tamm
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Mr. Nease
Miss Holmes
Miss Gandy

Reference is made to a memorandum to Mr. Harbo from Mr. Baughman on the above-captioned matter, dated September 3, 1947. The reference memorandum indicates that the instrument has been examined by the Laboratory and the Laboratory had contacted a Mrs. Whedon of the Army Engineers and she indicated that the instrument had been used by the Air Forces on tests which were classified as "Top Secret."

The memorandum indicates that Special Agent S. W. Reynolds of the Liaison Section contacted the Intelligence Division of the Air Forces and was advised that Mrs. Whedon alluded that the instrument was used in "Operation Mogul." The instrument was loaned to the Intelligence Division of the Air Forces who in turn forwarded it to Wright Field. The report was received from Wright Field indicating the instrument had no connection with "Operation Mogul" or any other operation at Wright Field. It was classified as a hoax in view of the apparent discrepancy between information developed from Mrs. Whedon and information received from Intelligence Division of the Air Forces that the Bureau might wish to pursue this matter further.

Mr. Zimmers of the Technical Laboratory advised Mr. Reynolds of the Liaison Section that Mrs. Whedon had told him that a Major Hopkins handled the Liaison in Washington for the tests in which this instrument was used. Lieutenant Colonel George Garrett of the Intelligence Division of the Air Forces advised Special Agent Reynolds that he contacted Major Hopkins. He advised that Major Hopkins has had a great deal of experience in radio and along technical lines. Major Hopkins advised Colonel Garrett that the instrument could not have been used in the "Operation Mogul." Hopkins indicated that from the pictures and particles recovered, it appeared to him to be a part or portions of an old-type radio loud speaker.

In view of the information received from Major Hopkins, Colonel Garrett stated that he was at a loss as to how to explain the actions of Mrs. Whedon other than to say that she perhaps gave a false impression as to her knowledge of the instrument and the "Operation Mogul." Garrett pointed out that in view of the report received from Wright Field, together with the statement made by Major Hopkins, he felt that there was sufficient evidence that this instrument was not used in any ~~War Department~~ Air Force classified project and that in all probability it was just a hoax.

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that this memorandum be forwarded to the Technical Laboratory for their information.

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September 27, 1947

Major General George C. McDonald
Assistant Chief Air Staff - 2
The Pentagon
Washington, D. C.

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Dear General McDonald:

The Federal Bureau of Investigation has been requested by your office to assist in the investigation of reported sightings of flying discs.

My attention has been called to instructions disseminated by the Air Forces relative to this matter. I have been advised that these instructions indicate that the Air Forces would interview responsible observers while the FBI would investigate incidents of discs found on the ground, thereby relieving the Air Forces of running down incidents which in many cases turned out to be "ash can covers, toilet seats and whatnot."

In view of the apparent understanding by the Air Forces of the position of the Federal Bureau of Investigation in this matter, I cannot permit the personnel and time of this organization to be dissipated in this manner.

I am advising the Field Divisions of the Federal Bureau of Investigation to discontinue all investigative activity regarding the reported sightings of flying discs, and am instructing them to refer all complaints received to the appropriate Air Force representative in their area.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mr. Tolson
Mr. E. A. Tamm
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : THE DIRECTOR

DATE: September 25, 1947

FROM : D. M. LADD

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS

Mr. Tolson
Mr. E. A. Tamm
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
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Miss Gandy

The Bureau was requested by the Air Forces Intelligence to assist the Air Forces in attempting to arrive at an explanation of the above phenomena. The Air Forces indicated that the alleged sightings of flying discs might have been made by individuals of Communist sympathies for the purpose of causing mass hysteria in the United States over the fear of a secret Russian weapon. The Bureau agreed to assist in the investigation of the reported sightings, and the Field was advised in Bureau Bulletin No. 42, Series 1947, dated July 30, 1947, that they should investigate each instance which was brought to their attention of the sighting of a flying disc in order to ascertain whether or not it was a bona fide sighting, an imaginary one, or a prank. The results of the investigation conducted by the Bureau Field Offices in this matter have failed to reveal any indication of subversive individuals being involved in any of the reported sightings.

The Bureau has received a communication in the captioned matter from the Special Agent in Charge at San Francisco, dated September 19, 1947, which attached a "restricted" letter that was furnished confidentially to the SAC at San Francisco by Lieutenant Colonel Donald L. Springer, A-2, Army Air Forces, Hamilton Field, California, a copy of which is attached hereto. It is noted that the letter, which is dated September 3, 1947, is signed "By Command of Lieutenant General Stratemeyer" by Colonel R. H. Smith, Assistant Chief of Staff Intelligence, Headquarters, Air Defense Command, Mitchel Field, New York, and is addressed to the Commanding Generals of the various Air Forces. This letter is entitled "Cooperation of FBI with AAF on Investigations of 'Flying Disc' Incidents."

This letter states in substance that it was the original intent of the AC/AS-2, Headquarters, Army Air Forces that whereas the ADC Air Forces would interview responsible observers, the FBI would investigate incidents of so-called discs being found on the ground. Further, it indicates that the services of the FBI were enlisted in order to relieve the numbered Air Forces of the task of tracking down all the many instances which turned out to be "ash can covers, toilet seats and whatnot."

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Bureau protest vigorously to the Assistant Chief of Air Staff - 2. It is also recommended that the Bureau discontinue all activity in this field and that the Bureau Field Offices be advised to discontinue all investigations and to refer all complaints received to the Air Forces. A proposed Bulletin is attached for your approval.

Attachment.

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HEADQUARTERS
AIR DEFENSE COMMAND
Mitchel Field, New York

In reply
refer to:

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3 September 1947

SUBJECT: Cooperation of FBI with AAF on Investigations of "Flying Disc" Incidents.

TO: Commanding Genrals, First, Second, Fourth, Tenth, Eleventh and Fourteenth Air Forces
ATTENTION: Assistant Chief of Staff, A-2

1. The Federal Bureau of Investigation has agreed to assist Air Force Intelligence personnel in the investigation of "flying disc" incidents in order to quickly and effectively rule out what are pranks and to concentrate on what appears to be a genuine incident.

2. It was the original intent of the AC/AS-2, Headquarters, Army Air Forces that whereas the ADC Air Forces would interview responsible observers whose names would be furnished by AAF, the FBI would investigate incidents of so called "discs" being found on the ground. The services of the FBI were enlisted in order to relieve the numbered Air Forces of the task of tracking down all the many instances which turned out to be ash can covers, toilet seats and whatnot.

3. It is requested that each A-2 informally coordinate and cooperate with the FBI, generally keeping the FBI informed of any proposed calls that intelligence personnel will make on this subject. Very shortly, with the separation of the AAF from the War Department, a firm policy will be established to clarify the liaison arrangements between A-2's and FBI Special Agents. Presently, it is considered inadvisable to promulgate a formal interim policy -- only to have it replaced in a month or so by another.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL STRATEMEYER:

/s/ R. H. SMITH
R. H. SMITH
Colonel, GSC
Asst Chief of Staff-Intell.

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

(NO)

TO : Director, FBI DATE: September 18, 1947

FROM : SAC, Philadelphia

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[redacted]

SUBJECT: FLYING OBJECT REPORTED OVER PHILADELPHIA
AUGUST 6, 1947
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Remytel August 7 last.

[redacted] Philadelphia, who is employed by the [redacted], Philadelphia, advised as follows: b7c

Between 10:30 and 10:45 p.m. on August 6, 1947, she was sitting on the steps of her home with [redacted] She was facing north and observed a large white object traveling at a very fast rate of speed to the south. There was a buzzing sound, not too loud but plainly audible, just after this object passed through the air. This white object left in its trail a thin streak of smoke, which was grayish in color. b7c

Miss [redacted] Philadelphia, who is employed by the [redacted] INC., [redacted] Philadelphia, stated she was sitting on the steps of [redacted] home on the evening of August 6, 1947, around 10:45 p.m. engaging in conversation with [redacted] when [redacted]bruptly stopped in the middle of her conversation and appeared to be frightened. [redacted]t that time was sitting in a position in which she was facing south. She did not see any object in the sky after noting [redacted] change of expression, but she did hear a slight buzzing sound. b7c

[redacted] Philadelphia, an insurance agent, who was a former pilot of B-24's in the Army Air Corps, advised as follows: b7c

He was sitting on the steps of his home around 10:45 p.m. on August 6, 1947, with his wife; and his neighbors, the [redacted] family, were sitting on their steps next door to the residence of [redacted] All of the above parties were facing east. [redacted] noticed at this time an object, emitting a bluish-white flame, passing quickly through the air. The object was traveling from northeast to southwest. Using his experience in the Army Air Corps as a guide, [redacted] estimated the above object was between 1000 and 3000 feet in the air and traveling at a rate of between 400 to 500 miles an hour. This object did not lose elevation as it passed through the air and left either smoke or a condensation trail in its former path, which lasted for about two seconds. A hissing sound accompanied the passing of this object. This sound was moderate and not nearly as loud as the noise accompanying the passage of a rocket ship. b7c

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[redacted] who is a retired police officer of the Philadelphia Police Department, advised as follows: b7c

Around 10:45 p.m. on August 6, 1947, he and his wife were sitting on the steps of their home, when [redacted] noticed an object, resembling to him a giant firecracker, pass quickly through the air. [redacted] heard no noise, but the object had completely passed from view in a southern direction within a split second. It left a fiery trail for about 100 feet. August 6, 1947, was a clear night, and no storm was brewing. [redacted] was sure the object he saw was no falling star, and he noted the above object did not seem to be falling but maintained the same altitude. b7c

The wives of [redacted] and [redacted] verified the accounts of their husbands as to the above-mentioned object. b7c

It is to be noted that the [redacted] and the [redacted] live in Northeast Philadelphia near Oxford Circle, which is about ten miles removed from the residence of [redacted] [redacted] residence is located in the western part of Philadelphia. The [redacted] and [redacted] are not known to the above-mentioned [redacted] and [redacted]. It is further noted the observation of Miss [redacted] the [redacted] and the [redacted] roughly correspond. All of the above persons seem reliable and not the type to seek publicity or to spread rumors. b7c

[redacted] called the "Inquirer", Philadelphia newspaper, and inquired if it could offer any explanation as to what they had seen. A representative of that paper had advised [redacted] that the object they saw may have been some product of an oil refinery or chemical company in their neighborhood. b7c

Both the Offices of Naval Intelligence and Army Intelligence in Philadelphia were requested by the Philadelphia Office to ascertain if either the Army or the Navy was doing any experimental work on new types of planes or equipment, in the vicinity of Philadelphia. Such was done with negative results. The Office of Naval Intelligence indicated that an explosion had occurred at the CHARLES LENNIG CHEMICAL COMPANY on August 6, 1947.

[redacted], Safety Department of the CHARLES LENNIG CHEMICAL COMPANY, INC., 5000 Richmond Street, Philadelphia, advised as follows: b7c

The above company is a manufacturer and distributor of chemicals. A fire had occurred on a dump of the company on August 6, 1947, but was quickly gotten under control. Such fire was confined to the company's premises and could not have been observed from outside the plant. The CHARLES

LENNIG COMPANY is about two and one-half miles southeast from Oxford Circle. The account of the fire does not seem to fit into the general pattern of the above-mentioned flying object, for it is noted that the flying object was allegedly traveling from a position northeast of Oxford Circle to a southwesterly direction in Philadelphia. [redacted] pointed out that, to the best of his knowledge, there are no oil refineries and chemical companies located around Oxford Circle or north of such, but that all of the companies of this type are several miles south of Oxford Circle. b7C

All logical investigation having been conducted, no further action will be taken on the instant matter unless advised to the contrary by the Bureau.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 9-17-47

FROM : SAC, Anchorage

SUBJECT: Flying Disks

Reference is made to Bureau Bulletin No. 42 dated July 30, 1947.

This is to advise that two army officers reported to the Office of the Director of Intelligence, headquarters Alaskan Department, at Fort Richardson, Alaska, that they had witnessed an object passing through the air at a tremendous rate of speed which could not be judged as to miles per hour.

The first officer stated that his attention was attracted to this airborne object, and he in turn pointed it out to the second officer. The object appeared to be shaped like a sphere and did not give the impression of being saucer-like or comparable to a disk. The first officer stated that it would be impossible to give minute details concerning the object, but that it appeared to be approximately two or three feet in diameter and did not leave any vapor trail in the sky.

Both officers attempted to determine the approximate altitude of the object, and from a weather group stationed nearby it was determined that cloud formations at the time the object was sighted were "scattered above 10,000 feet." The object was noted to be traveling below the cloud formation.

The first officer stated that in his opinion the object appeared to be metallic and was silver in color, much like the color of many airplanes.

The second officer stated substantially the same facts and also pointed out that the object remained within his vision for approximately 15 to 20 seconds. When sighted, the object was traveling due south at a speed considerably in excess of any plane. The second officer stated that the object appeared to him to be approximately 10 feet in diameter and compared it to half the size of a full moon on an ordinary night. The second officer based the altitude at approximately the same as the first officer except for the fact that due to the size he believed the object to be, he estimated the altitude to be only approximately 3,000 or 4,000 feet. The object appeared broadside to the second officer, and no evidence of a spinning motion or reflection was noted. As to the color, the second officer pointed out that it appeared to be a dull metal finish.

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In conclusion, the second officer pointed out that one of the remarkable features of this object was that it was definitely traveling against the wind.

The exact date of the sighting of this object was not furnished this office, and inasmuch as it occurred previously to the receipt of Bureau instructions in this matter, no further investigation is being conducted by this office unless specifically requested to do so by the Bureau.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: September 20, 1947

FROM : SAC, Chicago

SUBJECT: ① FLYING DISCS
[redacted] - Informant b7C

Reference is made to your letter dated August 11, 1947 in the above captioned matter.

[redacted], McHenry County, Woodstock, Illinois, advised that he had received no reports of flying discs in the community of Lily Lake, Illinois. He further stated that he had no record or knowledge of [redacted] of Lily Lake. b7C

[redacted], Lily Lake, Illinois, advised that he was personally acquainted with [redacted] whom he described as a successful writer of mystery stories. He said he had no information to the effect that SHAVER was mentally unsound and he believed him to be a substantial citizen. b7C

[redacted] advised she had sold property to [redacted] on two occasions and was well acquainted with [redacted] and his wife. She knew of no derogatory information concerning him. b7C

[redacted] was interviewed at Lily Lake, Illinois and advised that he was the featured writer of mystery stories for [redacted] magazine, which magazine is edited by [redacted] Chicago, Illinois. [redacted] at the outset stated that PALMER had told him the FBI would contact him regarding flying discs. b7C

[redacted] indicated that the telegram received by the War Department, referred to in referenced letter, was probably sent by one of his readers, unknown to him. He said that he wrote mystery stories based on his firm conviction that under the earth are various caverns formerly inhabited by a super race, who have since fled to other planets. This region of caverns he calls Lemuria. He stated he believes there is valuable machinery and other resources in these caverns. He therefore explained flying discs, which he calls "space ships", as the mode of travel of the Lemurians coming from other planets to reclaim the valuable machinery. [redacted] indicated that his theories had aroused a wide following among readers of [redacted] magazine. b7C

[redacted] exhibited an article from an edition of the "Chicago Times" for Sunday, August 3, 1947. The article stated that on June 24, 1947, on Murray Island, off the Washington Coast, there had occurred a mysterious explosion which was believed to have been caused by a guided missle or rocket. It further stated that the date of the explosion was the same date on which one KENNETH ARNOLD, a private pilot, sighted the first flying disc at Boise, Idaho. b7C

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The article went on to state that it was believed at the time that there was some correlation between the flying disc and the Murray Island explosion, and that RAYMOND PALMER, Chicago magazine editor, had employed ARNOLD to investigate and "cover" the Murray Island explosion.

The article went on to state that on August 1, 1947, at Tacoma, Washington, there was a conference among officials of the Army and Navy, who discussed the possible relation between the Murray Island explosion and the appearance of flying discs. ARNOLD was supposed to have been in attendance at this conference. At the conference, authorities brought samples of a lava oxide metal, allegedly taken from the scene of the Murray Island explosion.

The article stated that following the conference, two pilots left by plane for Hamilton Field, California, carrying samples of the lava oxide metal. The article further reported that the plane crashed near Hamilton Field, California, and it was conjectured that the plane had exploded by reason of the combustion of the lava oxide metal it carried.

From the above newspaper article, it should be noted that [redacted] [redacted]s employer, was from the start "exploiting" the appearance of the flying discs, possibly to enhance the appeal of [redacted] stories. It is possible, therefore, that the entire flying disc theory was conceived by [redacted]

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AUGUST FOURTEEN ~~NINETXXX~~ NINETEEN FORTYSEVEN SEATTLE POST INTELLIGENCE PUBLISHED ARTICLE TO EFFECT THAT L. R. BRUMMETT, BOX TWO FIVE FOUR REDMOND, WASH, AND SIDNEY DECKER BOX TWO NINE SIX REDMOND, WASHINGTON HAD SIGHTED TWO DISCS AT APPROXIMATELY NINE AM AUGUST THIRTEEN NINETEEN FORTYSEVEN. UPON INTERVIEW DECKER STATED THAT TWO VERY BRIGHT OBJECTS TRAVELING AT AN EXTREME RATE OF SPEED WERE NOTICED BY HIM AS HE WAS STANDING NEAR THE REDMOND POST OFFICE. DECKER DESCRIBED THE OBJECTS AS HAVING NO WINGS, NO TAIL, AND BOTH ENDS WERE TAPERED. DECKER ADDED THAT THE OBJECTS RESEMBLED A BELLY TANK AND THAT THEY WERE NOISELESS. THE OBJECTS WERE VERY BRIGHT AND TRAVELING IN A NORTHEASTERLY DIRECTIO OVER REDMOND, WASHINGTON, ONE A BIT BEHIND AND A LITTLE ABOVE THE OTHE MAINTAINING EQUAL RATES OF SPEED FOR APPROXIMATELY EIGHT SECONDS AT WHICH TIME THEY DISAPPEARED FROM VIEW. DECKER ADDED THAT THEY WERE HIGHER THAN A PLANE GENERALLY TRAVELS. BRUMMETT ADVISED THAT HE NOTIC THE OBJECTS AND CALLED DECKERS ATTENTION TO THEM AND ALSO POINTED THEM OUT TO A MRS MAMIE ENGLISH. BRUMMETT STATED THAT HE SAW TWO OBJECTS FLYING AT A FORTYFIVE DEGREE ANGLE NORTHEASTERLY OVER REDMOND AND

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TRAVELING AT LEAST THREE TIMES FASTER THAN A PLAN. BRUMMETT ADDED THAT HE WATCHED THE OBJECTS FROM FIVE TO EIGHT SECONDS AT WHICH TIME THEY DISAPPEARED FROM SIGHT. ACCORDING TO BRUMMETT THE OBJECTS WERE DESCRIBE AS BEING NOISELESS, HAVING NO WINGS OR TAIL, LIGHTER THAN ALUMINUM, TAPERED AT BOTH ENDS AND ONE STAYED A LITTLE BEHIND AND A BIT ABOVE THE OTHER AND BOTH MAINTAIND EQUAL RATES OF SPEED. FROM BRUMMETTS OBSERVATI HE WAS UNABLE TO DECIDE WHETHER THE OBJECTS WERE FLAT OR ROUND. MRS MAMIE ENGLISH STATED THAT WHEN BRUMMETT CALLED HER ATENTION TO THE OBJECTS SHE TOOK A PASSING GLANCE AT THE SKY AND COULD OFFER NO DESCRIPTION OTHER THAN THEY LOOKED LIKE TWO SILVER BALLS TRAVELING AT A FAST RATE OF SPEED.

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TO : D. M. LADD

DATE: August 20, 1947

FROM : [redacted] b7C

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There is attached hereto copies of two memoranda dated July 24, 1947, and July 16, 1947, concerning [redacted] Dallas, Texas, [redacted] Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, and [redacted] These memoranda were made available to Special Agent [redacted] of the Liaison Section by General Schulgen of the Army Air Forces Intelligence. General Schulgen requested that the Bureau conduct a background investigation of these two individuals mentioned in the attached memoranda since they were among the first to sight the alleged flying discs. He indicated that he desired that the investigation be directed toward ascertaining whether or not either of these individuals have any subversive background and to ascertain whether or not they had any ulterior motives for reporting these sightings.

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RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended this memorandum be forwarded to the Internal Security Section.

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b7C [redacted] of I.D.A.F. advised Bureau concerned any investigation. He was advised that a review of Bureau files failed to reveal any derogatory information that could be identified with these individuals. 9/4/47

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#3724-I   24 July 1947

MEMORANDUM TO THE SECURITY OFFICER, OCAMA, TINKER FIELD.

SUBJECT: [redacted], Radio Corporation of America, Dallas, Texas. Residence: [redacted] Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.) b6

RE: Flyind Disc. b6

On 23 July 1947, [redacted] was interviewed at his residence, [redacted] Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, relating to his alleged viewing of a flying disc over the vicinity of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Subject, whose age is 38, advised he is married and has one child, and is presently the holder of a Private Pilot's License, No. [redacted] (Single Engine, Land). Subject averred he has extensively studied electronics, sound engineering and aeronautics, and his present occupation, which is [redacted] for Radio Corporation of America, offices of which are located in Dallas, Texas, is that of [redacted] b6 [redacted] stated that between the days 17 May to 21 May 1947, just after dusk, he observed an object which he believed to be a small aircraft in the south. [redacted] advised that the sun had just gone down and the moon had not arisen on the horizon. SAVAGE related that he and his wife had just departed their residence and had started to enter their car in the driveway at [redacted] Oklahoma City. He judged the time to be between 8:30 p.m. and 9:00 p.m., and the lights from the city of Oklahoma City appeared to be shining on this object when he first saw it. He judged the object to be about 160° in the south when he first saw it, and as it moved toward him he remarked to his wife that "a big white plane was coming over." b6

[redacted] stated that when this object was at a 45° angle from him, he realized it was not a conventional type aircraft, and it appeared elliptical at first and as it moved closer it appeared perfectly round and was flat. [redacted] advised the object, which appeared to him as a disc, had no appearance of being spherical and had a ratio of diameter to the thickness of approximately 10 to 1, appearing thicker in the center, but this could not be positively ascertained. [redacted] judged the object to be at an altitude of between 10,000 and 18,000 feet, and it left no trailing effects. [redacted] related that it appeared to be in bulk as big as the bulk of six B-29s at an altitude of approximately the same height. [redacted] advised that the object was in his vision approximately 15 to 20 seconds and travelled at a speed which he judged to be approximately three times that of jet-propelled aircraft. b6

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[redacted] stated that there were no protrusions on this object and as it went by he listened for a sound of noise, and at one time thought he distinguished a swishing sound like the rushing of air. This swishing sound occurred a few seconds after this object had passed him. [redacted] averred this sound was not very loud and did not last very long, and it is very possible that the sound could have been his imagination or expectation, as he was not sure of the sound. [redacted] related that he called his wife to see this object but it had disappeared before she could focus her eyes on it. Subject stated that the object appeared to diminish in size and speed as it moved away, and it was moving in a direction of 350° to the north. Subject further stated that the object appeared to be frosty white in color at all times. b6

[redacted] advised that he has held a pilot's certificate since 1934 and has been flying since 1929. He advised that he would be glad to answer any further inquiries and will cooperate in every way possible. [redacted] stated he was sure this object was not a meteor and in his opinion it must be radically built and powered, probably atomic. b6

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE OFFICER IN CHARGE:

1. On 12 July 1947, [redacted] Boise, Idaho, was interviewed in regard to the report by [redacted] that he saw 9 strange objects flying over the Cascade Mountain Range of Washington State on July 25th. [redacted] voluntarily agreed to give the interviewer a written report of exactly what he had seen on the above mentioned date. The written report of [redacted] is attached to this report as Exhibit A.

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AGENT'S NOTES: [redacted] is a man of 32 years of age, being married and the father of two children. He is well thought of in the community in which he lives, being very much the family man and from all appearances a very good provider for his family. [redacted] has recently purchased a [redacted], recently purchased [redacted] airplane in which to conduct his business to the extent of which is explained in the attached exhibit. It is the personal opinion of the interviewer that [redacted] actually saw what he stated that he saw. It is difficult to believe that a man of [redacted] character and apparent integrity would state that he saw objects and write up a report to the extent that he did if he did not see them. To go further, if [redacted] can write a report of the character that he did while not having seen the objects that he claimed he saw, it is the opinion of the interviewer that [redacted] is in the wrong business, that he should be writing Buck Rogers fiction. [redacted] is very outspoken and somewhat bitter in his opinions of the leaders of the U. S. Army Air Forces and the Federal Bureau of Investigation for not having made an investigation of this matter sooner. To put all of the statements made by [redacted] in this report would make it a voluminous volume. However, after having checked an aeronautical map of the area over which [redacted] claims that he saw the objects it was determined that all statements made by [redacted] in regard to the distances involved, speed of the objects, course of the objects and size of the objects, could very possibly be facts. The distances mentioned by [redacted] in his report are within a short distance of the actual distances on aeronautical charts of this area, although [redacted] Arnold has never consulted aeronautical charts of the type the Army uses. [redacted] stated that this business had suffered greatly since his report on July 25 due to the fact that at every stop on his business routes, large crowds of people were waiting to question him as to just what he had seen. [redacted] stated further that if he, at any time in the future, saw anything in the sky, to quote [redacted] directly, "if I saw a ten story building

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flying through the air I would never say a word about it", due to the fact that he has been ridiculed by the press to such an extent that he is practically a moron in the eyes of the majority of the population of the United States.

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SOME LIFE DATA ON [redacted] b6

I was born [redacted]. My father's name was [redacted]; my mother's maiden name was [redacted]. I was a resident of Minnesota until I was six years old when my family moved to Scobey, Montana, where they homesteaded. My grandfather, [redacted] also homesteaded in Scobey, Montana, and became quite prominent in political circles along with [redacted], the famous [redacted] b6

I went to grade school and high school at Minot, North Dakota. I entered scouting at twelve years of age and achieved the rank of Eagle scout before I was fourteen. My former scout executive was [redacted] now a [redacted] or the Boy Scouts in Kansas City, Kansas. b6

As a boy, I was interested in athletics and was [redacted] I entered the U. S. Olympic trials in [redacted] I was a [redacted] I taught swimming and diving at scout camps and the municipal pool in Minot, North Dakota. I went to the University of Minnesota, where I swam and did fancy diving under [redacted] and also played football under [redacted] but upon entering college I was unable to continue my football career because of an injured knee. My high school football coach was [redacted] who is now the [redacted] I had little or no finances, and my ambition in furthering my education in college b6

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was through my athletics. As a boy in Minot, North Dakota, I did a good deal of dog sled racing, [redacted]

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In 1938 I went to work for [redacted] a manufacturer of automatic fire fighting apparatus. In 1939 I was made [redacted] for them over a part of the western states, and in 1940 I established my own [redacted] I have been working as an [redacted] since, and I [redacted]

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My flying experience started as a boy in Minot, North Dakota, where I took my first flying lesson from [redacted] who was originally from Great Falls, Montana. Due to the high cost at that time, I was unable to continue my flying and did not fly of any great consequence until 1943. I was given my pilot certificate by [redacted] a senior CAA inspector of Portland, Oregon, and for the last three years have owned my own airplane covering my entire territory with same and flying from forty to one hundred hours per month since. Due to the fact that I use an airplane entirely in my work, in January of this year I purchased [redacted], which is an airplane designed for high altitude take-offs and short rough field usage.

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In the type of flying I do, it takes a great deal of

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practice and judgment to be able to land in most any cow pasture and get out without injuring your airplane; the runways are very limited and the altitude is very high in some of the fields and places I have to go in my work. To date, I have landed in 832 cow pastures in mountain meadows, and in over a thousand hours a flat tire has been my greatest mishap.

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TO : Director FBI

DATE: August 20, 1947

FROM : SAC Butte

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS

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Refer teletype to the Bureau dated August 15, 1947.

Enclosed please find the newspaper account carried by the Twin Falls, Idaho "Times News" on August 15, together with a sheet of paper on which A. C. URIE attempted to sketch his impressions of the instrument which he claims to have seen.

Concerning URIE's sketches, it may be noted that he believed the rolled outer edge which he attempted to create in his drawing to have been about a foot through. URIE likewise believed that the tubing or exhaust flame which he and his sons claim to have seen was about a foot through and extended at least to the back end of the device. The flame did not appear to taper off nor to widen out toward the back.

BILLY and KEITH URIE stated that they could see a knot on the side of the device from which the flames were shooting, and that they could see daylight between the exhaust flame and the side of the device. The flames did not leave any smoke or odor.

The URIE boys thought that the "side view" sketch should show that the device was more sharply angled from bottom to top, while URIE himself thought that it was more streamlined and curved. URIE said that the instrument came to a pointed or rounded top.

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In his notations, URIE mistakenly said that he had seen it on Thursday. During interview, he stated that it actually had been on Wednesday, August 13, 1947, when he and his sons saw the contrivance about 1:00 P. M.

URIE explained that he had sent his boys to the river to get some rope from his boat. When he thought they were overdue, he went outside his tool shed to look for them. He noticed them about 300 feet away looking in the sky and he glanced up to see what he called the flying disc. He said he could only see it for a moment before it disappeared behind a hill which obscured his view.

URIE further stated that the contrivance was about seventy-five feet in the air. URIE resides in the depths of the Snake River Canyon, which is about four hundred feet deep and twelve hundred feet across at that place. According to his account, the contrivance was about three hundred feet below the rim of the canyon and he saw it against the steep walls of the canyon on the far side. He described its color as sky blue and stated that he doubted if it could be seen against the sky. He likewise said that it was purely by chance that he saw it. It did not spin like a top.

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As the machine went by the URIE place, the trees over which it almost directly passed (Morman Poplars) did not just bend with the wind as if a plane had gone by, but, in URIE's words, "spun around on top as if they were in a vacuum."

KEITH URIE, eight years of age, said he first saw the machine coming down the canyon, heading from east to west and following the contours of the ground. BILLY, age ten, saw it almost immediately. Both watched it fly out of sight behind a tree in a matter of moments. They said they then ran to their Father and learned that he too had seen the machine.

URIE seemed completely sincere about the incident. He said his wife and daughter were in the house at the time and had not seen the machine. He questioned his brother, who also lives in the canyon, but his brother had been eating at the time and had seen nothing. URIE and his two boys maintained that they had never before seen one of the discs. URIE, when interviewed, appeared to be a sober, middle-aged man.

[redacted] who originally furnished Special Agents with information about the incident, likewise stated that URIE appeared completely sincere about the machine. b7C

No further attempt was made to locate L. W. HAWKINS, inasmuch as [redacted] who was with HAWKINS at the time, was interviewed. [redacted] name was withheld from the newspaper because HAWKINS and [redacted] were fishing at Salmon dam while [redacted] was supposed to have been working in Twin Falls. b7C

[redacted] said simply that he and HAWKINS could hear a roar. They looked up and could see two instruments flying at a great height, which [redacted] mentioned might have been between four thousand and six thousand feet. However, he said he had no idea how large the devices were and consequently, they may have been several miles away. He said that he and HAWKINS were satisfied they had seen something and they were very doubtful that they had seen two planes. b7C

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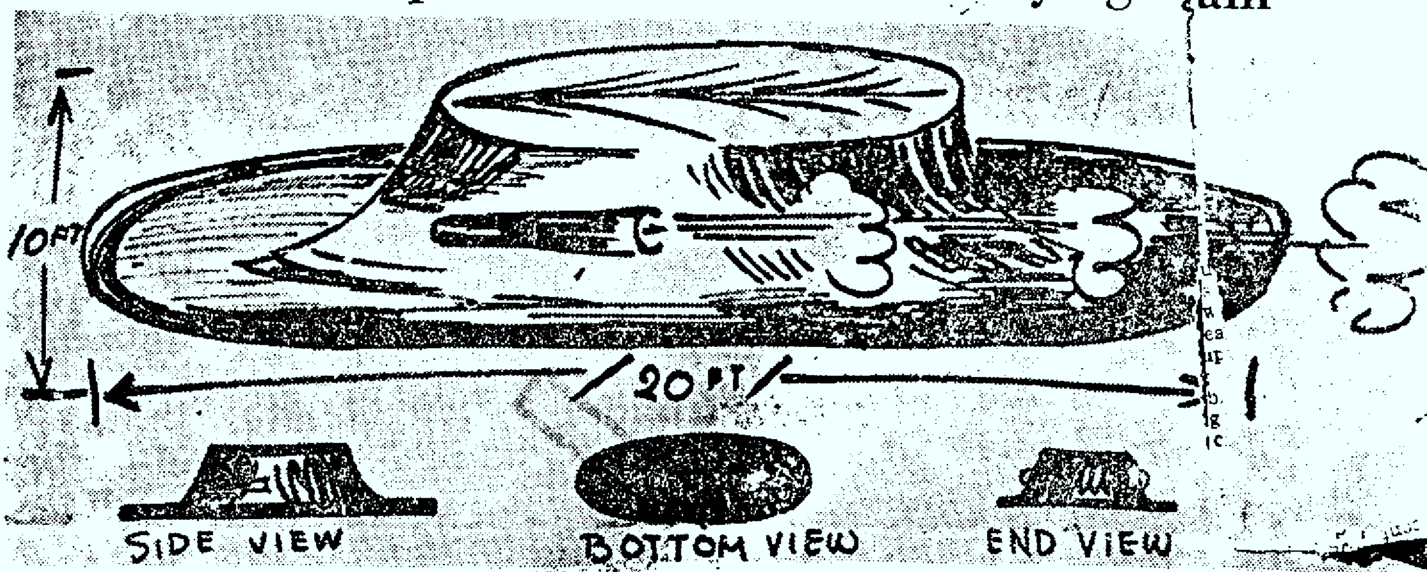
TWIN FALLS, IDAHO, FRIDAY, AUGUST 15, 1947

Heads Up, Folks! The Discs Are Flying Again



This is an artist's conception of the flying disc that A. C. Urie saw sweeping through Snake river canyon six miles west of Blue Lakes ranch. It seemed to be powered by jets emitting a fiery glow on both sides, and could well be the inspiration for something new in wom hats, such as a "flying saucer" creation. (Drawing by Vic Goert staff engraving)

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Flying Saucer Reported Flashing Down Canyon At 1,000 Miles Per Hour; Two Others Are Seen

By JOHN BROSNAN

Just as Magic Valley and the nation were starting to let go of lampposts after reeling under a welter of flying saucer reports, two more Twin Falls county men revived speculation on the mystery with vivid descriptions of discs they saw.

From A. C. Urie, who operates the Auger Falls Trout farm six miles west of Blue Lakes ranch in Snake river canyon, came perhaps the most detailed account of one of the fast-flying objects the nation has yet produced.

The flying saucer Urie saw was skimming along through Snake river canyon at a height of about 75 feet at 1 p. m. Wednesday. At 9:30 a. m. the same day, L. W. Hawkins, Twin Falls county commissioner and former county sheriff from Filer, also saw two circular objects soaring along at a great height near Salmon dam 40 miles southwest of Twin Falls.

Here is Urie's eye-witness description of the flying discs seen by him and his son, Keith, 8, and Billy, 10:

"I obtained a close-up view of the flying saucer as it passed by the trout farm at 1 p. m. Aug. 13 going down Snake river canyon at a height of about 75 feet from the canyon floor. I would estimate the speed at about 1,000 miles per hour."

Urie explained that the incident occurred while the two boys were coming across the river from the north side in a boat. He had become concerned about what w laying them, and had walked do toward the river to see if they w all right.

"I had a side view at a dista of about 300 feet and almost d level with the thing," Urie tinued. "Two of my boys, K and Billy, were below me and th also saw it at about a 45-d angle. They both got a bett a side view, and we were all ing at it from the south side of

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river facing toward the north. The boys saw it coming about half a mile up the canyon, and we all lost sight of it in less than a mile."

While the impression was still vivid in their minds, the three got together and made rough sketches of what they had seen. These, in turn, were the basis for the artist's conception of [illegible] strange affair by Vic Goertsen of [illegible] Falls for the Times-News.

"It was [illegible] of a light sky blue [illegible], [illegible] fiery glow at [illegible] top [illegible] hood," Urie [illegible]

"The canyon floor [illegible] at that particular point, [illegible] it rode up and down over the hills and hollows at a speed indicating some type of control faster than the reflexes of man. It is my opinion that it is guided by instruments and must be powered by atomic energy, as it made very little noise—just a s-w-i-s-h as it passed by."

Urie described the size as about 20 feet long by 10 feet high and 10 feet wide, giving it an oblong shape. It might be described as looking like an inverted pie-plate or broad-brimmed straw hat that had been compressed from two sides.

Pressed for his candid opinion of just what it was, Urie said that he was convinced that there was something to this flying saucer situation. "I know a number of the people who have also seen them and I know that they're not just imagining [illegible] trying to get their [illegible]," Urie commented.

"I do know that it scared the boys and made me feel pretty uneasy," he added.

Tracing down a rumor that County Commissioner Hawkins had seen an unusual object in the air on the same day as Urie's experience, the Times-News called him at his Filer home.

"Yes, I did," he replied without hesitation. "I'll have to admit I've been skeptical all along until I saw it with my own eyes. I can't say what it was, but I can say there's something in the air."

Hawkins related that while at Salmon dam Wednesday morning, a sound resembling the echo of a motor caused him to look upward, and there he saw two circular objects that reflected light. They were traveling at a great speed and higher than most airplanes, according to Hawkins.

Aside from this, he declined to add details, except to say, "There's something in the air."

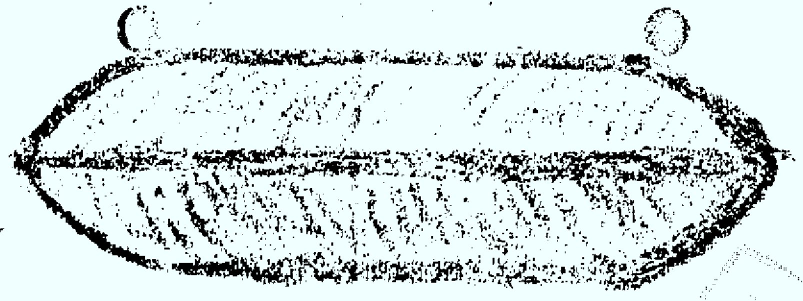
His general description, however, corresponded closely to those of hundreds of persons who reported seeing flying saucers after Kenneth Arnold, Boise businessman, had touched off the deluge by telling of coming upon nine disc-like objects while he was flying in his private plane in Washington.

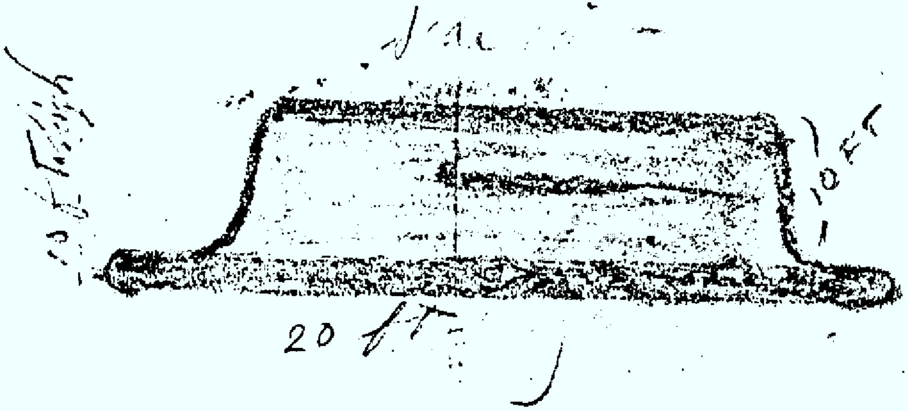
Thereafter, the nation became increasingly flying saucer conscious, creating a state of mind that made it possible for four 'teen age Twin Falls boys to cause a mild sensation when they built a model flying disc and tossed into a local yard July 10. This was subsequently revealed as a hoax, following investigation by the army and FBI.

Thereafter the saucer reports tapered off into a few scattered incidents until the question was revived by this week's occurrences.

Speculation has ranged from mention that the discs could be army or navy guided missile experiments, or that they could be similar experiments by some foreign country, to "something out of this world."

Whatever, they are, a lot of people have seen "something."

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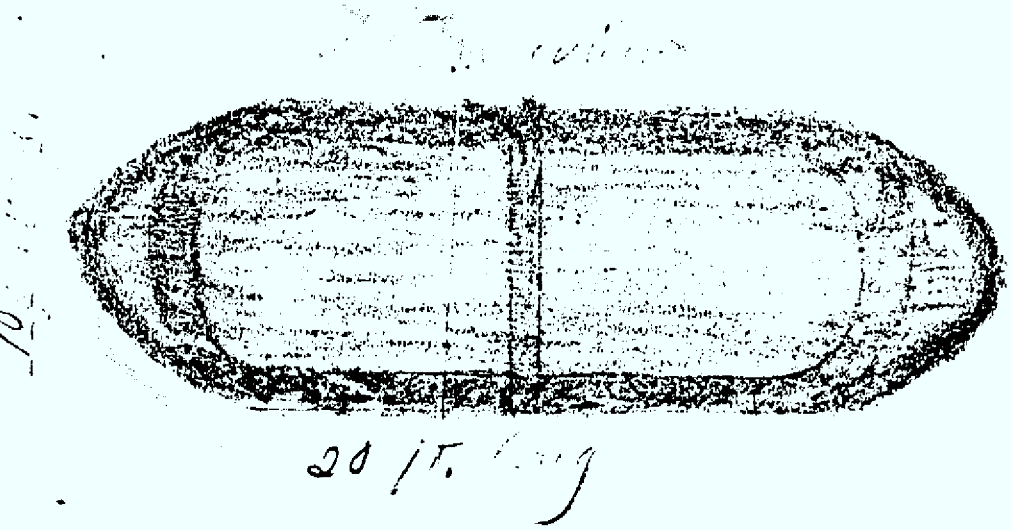
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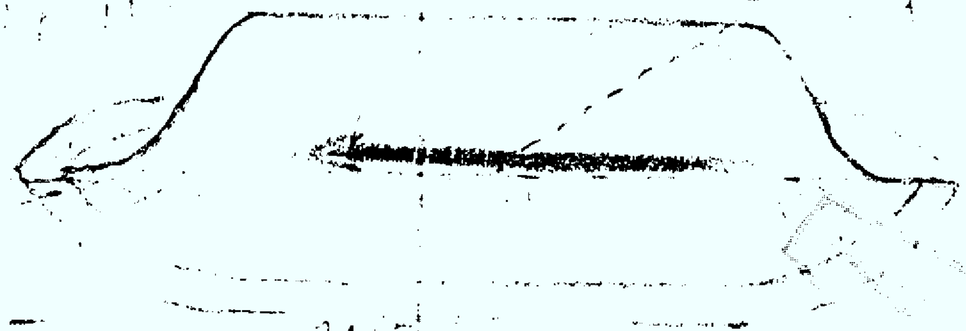
The bottom and side vi[illegible] — of the flying disc going down Snake River Canyon at 1 P.M. [illegible] at a distance of about 75 ft. up from ground, speed about 1000 [illegible] [illegible] just [illegible] by. A.C. URIE — (owns trout FARM)



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WASHINGTON 17 FROM PHILADELPHIA 8-7-47 9-30 PM DST

DIRECTOR FBI URGENT Flying Discs

FLYING OBJECT REPORTED OVER PHILA. AUGUST SIX, NINETEEN FORTY-SEVEN. SABOTAGE. THE PHILADELPHIA INQUIRER ON AUGUST SEVEN, NINETEEN FORTY SEVEN CARRIED ITEM CONCERNING FLYING OBJECTS OBSERVED OVER PHILA. ON EVENING OF AUGUST SIX, FORTY SEVEN. PEOPLE REPORTED AS OBSERVING SUCH INTERVIEWED BY PHILA. OFFICE, AND SUBSTANTIALLY FURNISHED FOLLOWING INFORMATION. AT TEN FORTY FIVE, AUGUST SIX, NINETEEN FORTY SEVEN, A BLUISH WHITE FLAMING OBJECT WAS OBSERVED AT A HEIGHT OF ONE ~~THOUSXXX~~ THOUSAND FEET OR MORE OVER PHILADELPHIA PROCEEDING FROM A NORTHEASTERLY TO A SOUTHWESTERLY DIRECTION. THIS OBJECT LEFT A ~~TRXXX~~ TRAIL OF SMOKE WHICH LASTED FOR ABOUT TWO SECONDS AND W HISSING OR BUZZING SOUND WAS AUDIBLE AFTER THE SIGHT OF SUCH OBJECT. PEOPLE OBSERVING THE SAME SEEMED RESPONSIBLE AND RELIABLE, AND INCLUDE A ~~FORMXXXX~~ FORMER ARMY AIR CORPS PILOT. HE DOES NOT BELIEVE ABOVE MENTIONED OBJECT WAS A JET ~~[illegible]~~ PROPELLED PLANE SINCE THE ACCOMPANYING SOUND WAS NOT AS LOUD AS THAT MADE BY JET PROPELLED PLANES. HE ESTIMATED ABOVE OBJECT TRAVELED AT A RATE OF

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BRUCE ARMSTRONG. M. A. NICHOLS. FLYING DISCS INTERNAL SECURITY [redacted]

NEWSPAPER SEATTLE POST INTELLIGENCER CARRIED ARTICLE ON AUGUST TWELVE OF REPORT OF FLYING DISCS SEEN BY ONE BRUCE ARMSTRONG OF BOEING AIRCRAFT COMPANY, AND M. A. NICHOLS, ONE ONE TWO FIVE, SOUTH WEST ONE HUNDRED AND SECOND STREET, SEATTLE. INVESTIGATION OF SIGHTING BY ARMSTRONG REVEALS OBJECT TO HAVE BEEN PIECE OF ~~UN~~BURNT PAPER WHICH HAD BEEN SEEN BY CONTROL TOWER AT BOEING FIELD. INVESTIGATION OF SIGHTING BY M. A. NICHOLS INDICATES OBJECT WAS A WEATHER BALLON. LETTER TO FOLLOW.

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TO : Director, FBI

DATE: August 27, 1947

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FROM : SAC, Butte

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SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS SIGHTED BY
[redacted] b7c
TACOMA, WASHINGTON
SECURITY MATTER - X

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Re Seattle tels August 7, 1947, and August 12, 1947, in the above captioned matter.

[redacted] Mountain View Drive, Boise, Idaho, was interviewed at the Boise Resident Agency, Boise, Idaho, by SA [redacted] August 19, 1947. Mr. [redacted] advised that he received a letter from [redacted] [redacted] Editor, [redacted] Evanston, Illinois, dated June 26, 1947, in which Mr. [redacted] advised that he was interested in publishing an article in his magazine concerning the flying discs seen by Mr. [redacted] near Mount Rainier on June 24, 1947, which letter is being enclosed to the Bureau. Mr. [redacted] stated that he did not give much thought to [redacted] letter until [redacted] wrote him again and informed him that [redacted] of Tacoma, Washington, had sent him fragments of a flying disc and that he would like him [redacted] to go to Tacoma, Washington, and contact [redacted] to find out if there was any truth in their story about the disc fragments. He stated that he did not answer [redacted] letter, but inquired of several friends for their opinion in the matter, and that they all told him if [redacted] desired to pay his expenses to go to Tacoma, Washington, and look into this matter, that they did not see where he had anything to lose. He informed that he gave a talk at the Boise Ad Club on July 25, 1947, about the flying discs he had seen, and also of the request contained in [redacted] letter to go to Tacoma to investigate additional information regarding the finding of disc fragments by [redacted]

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[redacted] advised that following his talk, he was approached by a person who said he knew both [redacted] and that they were very reliable individuals. He stated that after thinking it over, he called [redacted] by telephone and at which time he informed [redacted] that he would contact [redacted] and investigate the matter regarding the disc fragments, if [redacted] would send him $200.00 expense money. He also advised that he received $200.00 expense money from [redacted] via Western Union the next morning. He informed that he left for Tacoma, Washington, via his personal plane on July 30, 1947. Upon arriving at Pendleton, Oregon, he told his story to [redacted], CAA Inspector from Portland, Oregon, who advised him to go ahead with his investigation.

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He stated that he landed at Berry's Airport in Tacoma and obtained a room at the Winthrop Hotel. He informed that he then called [illegible] by telephone to make arrangements to talk to him regarding the disc fragments. He advised that [redacted] insisted on coming to the hotel room immediately. Upon arriving at Mr. [redacted] hotel room, [redacted] stated that he wanted to forget about the discs as too many things had been happening to him, and advised Mr. [redacted] to return home and forget about the discs. Mr. [redacted] stated that he informed [redacted] that he wanted to obtain all

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of the information available regarding the disc fragments and that he understood that [redacted] had told the press about the disc fragments, stating there was nothing to the story and that it was a phoney. [redacted] immediately replied that his story was not false or phoney, but that what he had seen and what had happened to him was so unusual and fantastic that he wanted to forget about the disc fragments. b7C [redacted] then agreed to tell Mr. [redacted] the following story, providing his name and the Harbor Patrols would be left out:

[redacted] stated that his dog had been killed and his boy hurt and that the wheel mount on his harbor patrol boat had been struck by disc fragments, and that about twenty ton of this material had fallen on the beach at Mauri Island, and into the bay, and that a day after this incident, a man about forty years of age had contacted him and told him, "I know what you saw at Mauri Island and I'm telling you in a nice way to forget about it and keep your mouth shut." [redacted] stated that he had obtained a large number of the fragments and had taken them home, but that [redacted], his superior officer, had told him to send b7C the fragments to [redacted] at Chicago; that [redacted] would analyze the specimens free of charge. [redacted] continued stating that on the afternoon of June 21, 1947, he was on patrol with his boy, dog, and two seamen near a cove on the east side of Mauri Island. He stated that he looked up through the windshield of the boat and at a height of about 1,000 feet, he saw six round circular grey objects that looked like large inner tubes slightly squashed. These objects appeared to be about 100 feet across and in the center was a hole about twenty-five feet. [redacted] said he assumed they were some type of a balloon. The object in the center was lower than the rest of the other objects, and the other objects were circling around it. The object in the center seemed to be descending while the others followed. As the objects descended he saw port holes around the inside of the object and what appeared to be windows. He stated that the object in the center descended to about 500 feet, and that suddenly one of the circling objects came down and touched the object in the center and remained in this position for a few minutes, while the other objects continued to circle above. The object which had descended and touched the object in the center and which was lower, then rose and took its place with the other objects.

All of the objects then started to rise and what appeared to be newspapers came out of the center of the object in the middle of the circling object. Then the sky seemed to rain lava, the lava coming from the object in the center and [redacted] headed the boat for shore. He stated that the lava coming from the object in the center appeared to be a white metal, and as it fell into the water, clouds of steam rose from the water. He stated that some of the lava landed on the beach. He also stated that his dog was killed and also a sea gull in addition to his boy being hurt by the falling lava. Mr. [redacted] continued stating that [redacted] had said that he had taken pictures of the object and that if Mr. [redacted] wanted them, he could have the negatives. [redacted] took Mr. [redacted] to the home of his secretary that evening and showed him some of the disc fragments he had picked up, which were smooth on one side and rough on the other, according to b7C Mr. [redacted].

[redacted] stated he received a telephone call from the press upon returning to his hotel room, and that the press wanted to know about the flying disc fragments, and he told them that he was not talking until he had proved it. He stated he did not know how the press ever knew he was in Tacoma or had seen [redacted] b7C

[redacted] informed that at 9:30 A.M. the next morning, July 31, 1947, [redacted] appeared at his hotel room and [redacted] again asked him to go home and forget about the discs, that his story was not false, but that he had had enough trouble. [redacted] said that his boy had been missed one morning and had been found at Lust, Montana, waiting on tables in a cafe; that he did not know how he had got there and that too many things were happening. [redacted] stated that when [redacted] came to his hotel room, they had an armful of fragments, and that [redacted] had then informed about how he had seen an object resembling those seen by [redacted]. [redacted] stated he had taken the patrol boat on July 23, 1947, and had gone to Mauri Island and had found the beach littered with lava. [redacted] stated he had looked up and had seen a balloon-like object with port holes and windows, which had disappeared into a large cloud. [redacted] stated that he asked [redacted] again to see the pictures of the objects; that [redacted] had again agreed to show them to him. [redacted] informed that he had then asked [redacted] if it would be all right for him to call a friend, [redacted] who had also seen some flying discs and let him see the fragments and hear [redacted] story. [redacted] dissented, however, [redacted] readily agreed. He also stated that he had placed a call to Lieutenant BROWN and Captain DAVIDSON, Army intelligence officers at Hamilton Field, and had asked them to come to his hotel, as they had previously instructed him to report to them anything of an unusual nature or of interest regarding the flying discs.

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He stated he flew to Seattle and got [redacted] and that Lieutenant BROWN and Captain DAVIDSON had come to his room about 4:00 P.M. [redacted] advised that he had asked Lieutenant BROWN just what he had found out regarding the discs, and Lieutenant BROWN had confidentially informed him that they had obtained a picture of a disc, which appeared to be authentic, which picture was taken by a man in Phoenix, Arizona. The picture, according to Lieutenant BROWN, was of a circular object with a hole in the center, and of another object that looked like a flying wing. He stated that when Lieutenant BROWN told him this that he immediately thought of the object seen by DAHL. He stated that after hearing [redacted] story, Lieutenant BROWN and Captain DAVIDSON's attitude had changed immediately, and that they appeared disinterested. It was then suggested that they all go to Mauri Island and look for the disc fragments. Lieutenant BROWN and Captain DAVIDSON stated that they had to return to Hamilton Field immediately. [redacted] stated that Lieutenant BROWN and Captain DAVIDSON were very careful to gather up all of the fragments which had been brought to the room by [redacted]. b7C

He stated that the next morning he received a call from [redacted] who told him that Lieutenant BROWN and Captain DAVIDSON had been killed in a B-25 crash. He stated he does not know how [redacted] knew who had been in the plane before anyone else. He also stated that during the above conference numerous telephone calls were received from the press, wanting to know about the conference. He stated that someone kept tipping the press off as to what was going on and what was being said daily verbatim. He informed that [redacted] [redacted] United Press men at Tacoma, appeared to know all that took place during the conference, and even knew of the crash of the B-25 and those aboard, before the Army released this information. [redacted] informed that when he received news of the crash, that he and [redacted] fully expected to be contacted by Army Intelligence, as they were the last people with Lieutenant BROWN and Captain DAVIDSON, however, they were never contacted. b7c

He further stated that he and [redacted] went down to the United Press to see what the survivors of the crash had informed about the crash and that [redacted]ad told them that the mysterious informant who had been calling had told him that the B-25 had not crashed, but had been shot down, also that [redacted] Army informant had said that an observer at Kelso, Washington, had seen the plane throw out a landing flare after the two survivors had jumped from the plane, and that the plane had gone into a steep dive and dove into a hillside, and further that one engine had been on fire, but that the fire apparatus, protecting the engine, had failed to function. [redacted] stated that [redacted] then came to see him and [redacted] and told them to go home and forget about the discs, that such things as the B-25 crash had been happening to him all along. b7c

[redacted] stated that he then called [redacted] at Chicago and told him that the deal was off and that if he wanted his $200.00 back, he could have it; that two men had been killed and he was getting frightened of the whole thing. He stated that [redacted] informed him that it was all right with him to keep the $200.00, however, he would send him an additional check for the trouble he had put to. [redacted] advised that previous to this telephone call [redacted]ad called his friend, [redacted] of the Chicago Times and had told him that he did not have any faith in Army Intelligence and for [redacted] to conduct an investigation on [redacted] and get to the bottom of this disc fantasy. [redacted] also advised that previous to the two above telephone calls, he had asked the press to investigate [redacted] as Army Intelligence had informed him that they could not find [redacted] and knew nothing concerning him, and appeared not to be interested in [redacted] who seemed to know more about the flying discs than anyone else. b7c

[redacted] stated that he personally thinks that [redacted] business is a blind for something else and that [redacted] will do anything that [redacted] asks him to and will not talk unless [redacted] tells him to. [redacted] stated that he still wanted to get to the bottom of the disc fragment story so he and [redacted] had decided to go to Mauri Island on Sunday, August 3, b7c

1947, however, when [redacted] was approached in this regard, and they had gone to the boat house where [redacted] kept his boat, [redacted] could not seem to make the boat run, and after making some excuses that he had to return to his office, had stated that he would return in about an hour, and by that time his mechanic should have the boat repaired and they could all proceed to Maury Island. Mr. [redacted] informed that [redacted] never returned, and that they were unable to locate [redacted] at any of the telephone numbers he had given them. b7c

They located [redacted] in a movie, according to [redacted] and that [redacted] after making some efforts to locate [redacted], had informed them that [redacted] had left town for a few days. He further informed that about this time the press contacted them and told them an informant had called and told them that [redacted] was on his way to Alaska in an Army plane. b7c

Mr. [redacted] advised that Captain [redacted] had informed him that he had made an appointment with Major [redacted] at McCord Field and intended to tell Major [redacted] the complete story. During the afternoon, Captain [redacted] and Major [redacted] came to the hotel room, according to [redacted], and some of the fragments that [redacted] had brought to Mr. [redacted] room, following the conference, were shown to Major [redacted]. Upon viewing the fragments, Major [redacted] according to Mr. [redacted] stated that they were nothing but slag from the copper mill, however, before Major [redacted] left, he gathered up every fragment in the room, according to Mr. [redacted] and took them with him. Mr. [redacted] stated that he then left for Boise, Idaho. b7c

Mr. [redacted] produced a letter dated August 5, 1947, from [redacted] in which [redacted] attempts to encourage Mr. [redacted] to continue his investigation into the flying discs. This letter is also being enclosed to the Bureau. Mr. [redacted] also gave SA [redacted] copy of the article sent to Mr. [redacted] and to the Commanding General, Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio, regarding his sighting of the nine discs near Mount Rainier on June 24, 1947. This article is also being enclosed to the Bureau. [redacted] advised that he is vitally interested in this matter and knows that there must be something to the flying discsstory. He stated that he will do everything in his power to help the Bureau in this matter. [redacted] Mr. [redacted] stated that he has told the above story to Army Intelligence and Major [redacted] and to no one else, with the exception of [redacted] b7c

[redacted] Boise, Idaho, advised that the [redacted] has never paid Mr. [redacted] for any news item he has given them, and has never approached him in this manner. He stated that the [redacted] is not attempting to push the flying discs story, but merely attempting to b7c get to the bottom of the flying discs story as they sincerely believe there is someone who knows the story of the discs and that they actually exist, and that the Army, when approached for information, merely state that they know nothing concerning them. [redacted] also informed that Lieutenant BROWN and Captain DAVIDSON had contacted him on July 20, 1947, at Boise, Idaho, regarding the discs and that is how he met them. b7C

Unless advised th the contrary, no additional investigation is being conducted in this matter, and it is being considered as Referred Upon Completion to the Seattle Office.

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June 26, 1947

Mr. [redacted] b7c
Boise, Idaho

Dear Mr. [redacted] b7c

I have just read an account in the Chicago Tribune concerning an aerial train composed of at least 9 units shaped like a pie-plate and silvery in color, traveling at 1200 m.p.h. near Mount Ranier, as witnessed by you while flying in the vicinity.

This is quite important to me, because I have in my possession numerous independent confirmations of what you saw, although none in as great detail as your account. I am interested in publishing an article in our magazine, written from a personal account by yourself, and accompanied by pix of yourself, plane, and rough sketches by yourself, of what you saw.

If you care to do this for me, I am prepared to pay our usual rates of 2¢ perword, plus $5.00 for each photograph you can provide, or for each sketch which can be used by our art staff to illustrate the article.

Included in this material, we'd like a short biographical sketch of yourself as "author background" material. The article would appear under your by-line.

If you are not interested, I would at least appreciate a letter from you, confirming the newspaper story.

Very truly yours,

[redacted]

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In your reply, please use airmail.

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Augst 5, 1947

Mr. [redacted] b7c
[redacted]
Boise, Idaho

Dear Mr. [redacted] b7c

It seems that Mr. [redacted] of the Chicago Times got the story from Mr. [redacted], because he called me, told me he was running it. I knew only what you'd told me over the phone. Now, it seems the newspapers are pestering the very devil out of all you fellows. [redacted] wired me for instructions, and I told him to say nothing tb the newspapers, because he'll look silly if the army explains this as "meteors" or something like that. b7c

I don't blame you for being alarmed, but I trust you've had no trouble in your flying since then. Let's get that straight--there's no horrible plot infolved. It's probably true that the two men killed were just accidents. It could be true that it was not an accident, but I don't think there was any connection with the disks, or anything of that nature, nor is the material from Murray Island to blame.

Certainly I don't think you'd suffer from completing your report on your mission, and sending me your affidavit. Also, you'll have some money coming for that, and no sense to tossing that out of the window. It is unfortunate that the thing seemed so big you had to call in army intelligence, but it will take them a long time to proceed to the point I've reached inthis disk mystery. You see, you aren't the first to see them. They've been known for nearly forty years, and I have ample proof of that. But your experience was the first real break toward a solution. I'd hate to have you drop the matter when all remaining to do is to file your report with me.

b7c [redacted] is willing to contribute his share. I hope you will too. This thing must not be hushed up and forgotten. It's much too important to the people of America, if not the world. And no censorship of the matter is legal. You needn't fear that angle. You certainly did a bang-up job of investigation, also you wrote one of the best articles about your June 24 experience I've ever seen. Please do the same on this last business. You owe it to those two men who were killed.

I'd also like to know what developed on those pictures you took of those "ducks", or whatever they were.

In short, I'd like to have you continue to keep in contact with me, and relay to me anything further you learn.

In turn, I'll give you the whole story, which I'm just about ready to break (not in the newspapers). And if it was as dangerous as you seem to suspect, I'm afraid I'd have been a corpse long ago!

But, and this is all you need remember, those disks are not red corpuscles in your eyeball, and they are not something we can forget about with an ostrich in the sand attitude. We've got to solve them, public hysteria or no. As for that hysteria, if laughing is hysteria, that's all the hysteria I've noticed!

You know your business, and you handled it like a major. But I'm hoping you do the easy part now and get that report on paper.

A check for your June 24 article is going out to you.

Sincerely yours,

b7c [redacted]

This is a copy of the same
article I sent to Com General,
Wright Fiel
Dayton Ohi

July 29, 1947

AIR MAIL

[redacted] b7c
Evanston, Illinois

Dear Mr. [redacted]

I am enclosing the material you requested together with photo papers, and also a sketch of my life story.

Yours very truly,

[redacted]

This copy is
the same as I sent to [redacted] b7c

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I was born March 29, 1915 in [illegible], Minnesota. My father's name was [redacted] my mother's maiden name was [redacted]. I was a resident of Minnesota until I was six years old when my family moved to Scobey, Montana, where they homesteaded. My grandfather, [redacted] also homesteaded in Scobey, Montana, and became quite prominent [illegible] with Burton K. Wheeler, [illegible] senator. b7C

I went to grade school and high school at Minot, North Dakota. I entered scouting at twelve years of age and achieved the rank of Eagle scout before I was fourteen. My former scout executive was [redacted] now a regional commissioner for the Boy Scouts in Kansas City, [illegible].

As a boy, I was interested in athletics and was selected as an all-state end in 1932 and 1933 in the state of North Dakota. I entered the U. S. Olympic trials in fancy diving in 1932; I was a Red Cross Life Saving Examiner during the years of 1932, '33 and '34. I taught swimming and diving at scout camps and the municipal pool in Minot, North Dakota. I went to the University of Minnesota, where I swam and did fancy diving under [redacted], and also played football under [redacted], but upon entering college I was unable to continue my football career because of an injured knee. My high school football coach was [redacted] who is now the head football coach of the University of North Dakota. I had little or no finances, and my ambition in furthering my education in college was through my athletics. As a boy in Minot, North Dakota, I did a good deal of dog sled racing, placing first with my dog in 1930 in the Lion's Club Dog Derby. b7C

In 1938 I went to work for [illegible], Inc., of Littleton, Colorado, a manufacturer of automatic fire fighting equipment. In 1939 I was made district manager for them over a part of the western states, and in [illegible]

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I established my own fire control supply known as the Great Western Fire Control Supply. I have been working as an independent fire control engineer since, and I handle, distribute, sell and install all types of automatic and manual fire fighting equipment in the rural area of over five western states.

My flying experience started as a boy in Minot, North Dakota, where I took my first flying lesson from [redacted], who was originally from Great Falls, Montana. Due to the high cost of flying at that time, I was unable to continue my flying and did not fly of any great consequence until 19[illegible]. I was given my pilot certificate by [redacted], a senior CAA inspector of Portland, Oregon, and for the last three years have owned my own airplane covering my entire territory with same and flying from forty to one hundred hours per month since. Due to the fact that I use an airplane entirely in my work, in January of this year I purchased a new Callair airplane, which is an airplane designed for high altitude take-offs and short rough field usage. b7c

In the type of flying I do, it takes a great deal of practice and judgment to be able to land in most any cow pasture and get out without injuring your airplane; the runways are very limited and the altitude is very high in some of the fields and places I have to go in my work. To date, I have landed in 823 cow pastures in mountainous meadows, and in over a thousand hours a flat tire has been my greatest mishap.

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The following story of what I observed over the Cascade mountains, as impossible as it may seem, is positively true. I never asked nor wanted any notoriety for just accidently being in the right spot at the right time to observe what I did. I reported something that I know any pilot would have reported. I don't think that in any way my observation was due to any sensitivity of eye sight or judgment than what is considered normal for any pilot.

On June 24th, Tuesday, 1947, I had finished my work for the Central Air Service at Chehalis, Washington, and at about two o'clock I took off from Chehalis, Washington, airport with the intention of going to Yakima, Washington. My trip was delayed for an hour to search for a large marine transport that supposedly went down near or around the southwest side of Mt. Rainier in the state of Washington. (This transport has been discovered at the time of this writing—July 29, 1947.)

I flew directly toward Mt. Rainier after reaching an altitude of about 9,500 feet, which is the approximate elevation of the high plateau from which Mt. Rainier rises. I had made one sweep of this high plateau to the westward, searching all of the various ridges for this marine ship and flew to the west down and near the ridge side of the canyon where Ashford, Washington, is located.

Unable to see anything that looked like the lost ship, I made a 360 degree turn to the right and above the little city of Mineral, starting again toward Mt. Rainier. I climbed back up to an altitude of approximately 9,200 feet.

The air was so smooth that day that it was a real pleasure flying and, as most pilots do when the air is smooth and they are flying at a higher altitude, I trimmed out my airplane in the direction of Yakima,

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Washington, which was almost directly east of my position and simply sat in my plane observing the sky and the terrain.

There was a DC-4 to the left and to the rear of me approximately fifteen miles distant, and I should judge, at 14,000 foot elevation.

The sky and air was as clear as crystal. I had not flown more than two or three minutes on my course when a bright flash reflected on my airplane. It startled me as I thought I was too close to some other aircraft. I looked every place in the sky and couldn't find where the reflection had come from until I looked to the left and the north of Mt. Rainier where I observed a chain of nine peculiar looking aircraft flying from north to south at approximately 9,500 foot elevation and going, seemingly, in a definite direction of about 170 degrees north to south.

They were approaching Mt. Rainier very rapidly, and I merely assumed they were jet planes. Anyhow, I discovered that this was where the reflection had come from, as two or three of them every few seconds would dip or change their course slightly, just enough for the sun to strike them at an angle that reflected brightly on my plane.

These objects being quite far away, I was unable for a few seconds to make out their shape or their formation. Very shortly they approached Mt. Rainier, and I observed their outline against the snow quite plainly.

I thought it was very peculiar that I couldn't find their tails but assumed they were some type of jet plane. I was determined to clock their speed, as I had two definite points—Mt. Rainier and Mt. Adams— I could clock them by and the air was so clear that it was very easy to see objects and determine their approximate shape and size at almost fifty miles.

I remember distinctly that my sweep second hand on my eight day clock, which is located on my instrument panel, read one minute to 3 P.M. as the first object of this formation passed the southern edge of Mt. Rainier. I watched these objects with great interest as I had never before observed airplanes flying so close to the mountain tops, flying directly

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north to south at approximately the height of the mountain range. I would estimate their elevation could have varied a thousand feet one way or another up or down, but they were pretty much on the horizon to me which would indicate they were near the same elevation as I was.

They flew like many times I have observed geese to fly in a rather diagonal chain-like line as if they were linked together. They seemed to hold a definite direction but rather swerved in and out of the high mountain peaks. Their speed at the time did not impress me particularly, because I knew that our army and air forces had planes that went very fast.

What kept bothering me as I watched them flip and flash in the sun right along their path was the fact that I couldn't make out any tail on them, and I am sure that any pilot would justify more than a second look at such a plane.

I observed them quite plainly, and I estimate my distance from them, which was almost at right angles, to be between twenty to twenty-five miles. I knew they must be very large to observe their shape at that distance, even on as clear a day as it was that Tuesday. In fact, I compared a zeus fastener or cowling tool I had in my pocket with them - holding it up on them and holding it up on the DC-4 that I could observe at quite a distance to my left - and they seemed smaller than the DC-4; but I should judge their span would have been as wide as the furtherest engines on each side of the fuselage of the DC-4.

The more I observed these objects, the more upset I became, as I am accustomed and familiar with most all objects flying whether I am close to the ground or at higher altitudes. I observed the chain of these objects passing another high snow-covered ridge in between Mt. Rainier and Mt. Adams, and as the first one was passing the south crest of this ridge the last object was entering the northern crest of the ridge.

As I was flying in the direction of this particular ridge, I measured it and found it to be approximately five miles so I could safely assume that the chain of these saucer-like objects were at least five miles long.

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I could quite accurately determine their pathway due to the fact that there were several high peaks that were a little this side of them as well as higher peaks on the other side of their pathway.

As the last unit of this formation passed the southernmost high snow-covered crest of Mt. Adams, I looked at my sweep second hand and it showed that they had travelled the distance in one minute and forty-two seconds. Even at the time this timing did not upset me as I felt confident after I landed there would be some explanation of what I saw.

A number of news men and experts suggested that I might have been seeing reflections or even a mirage. This I know to be absolutely false, as I observed these objects not only through the glass of my airplane but turned my airplane sideways where I could open my window and observe them with a completely unobstructed view.

Even though two minutes seems like a very short time to one on the ground, in the air in two minutes time a pilot can observe a great many things and anything within his sight of vision probably as many as fifty or sixty times.

I continued my search for the marine plane for another fifteen or twenty minutes and while searching for this marine plane, what I had just observed kept going through my mind. I became more disturbed, so after taking a last look at Tieton Reservoir I headed for Yakima.

I might add that my complete observation of these objects, which I could even follow by their flashes as they passed Mt. Adams, was around two and one-half or three minutes — although, by the time they reached Mt. Adams they were out of my range of vision as far as determining shape or form. Of course, when the sun reflected from one or two or three of those units, they appeared to be completely round; but, I am making a drawing to the best of my ability, which I am including, as to the shape I observed these objects to be as they passed the snow covered ridges as well as Mt. Rainier.

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The three objects were flying approximately [illegible] level, they were just a black thin line and when they flipped was the only time I could get a judgment as to their size.

These objects were holding an almost constant elevation; they did not seem to be going up or to be coming down, such as would be the case of rockets or artillery shells. I am convinced in my own mind that they were some type of airplane, even though they did not conform with the many aspects of the conventional type of planes that I know.

Although [illegible] have been reported [illegible] throughout the United States, there have been six or seven other accounts written by some of these observers that I can truthfully say must have observed the same thing that I did; particularly, the descriptions of the three Western Air Lines employees of Cedar City, Utah, the pilot from Oklahoma City, the locomotive engineer in Illinois, Mr. [redacted] United Press correspondent of Boise, Idaho, [redacted] news editor of the Boise Daily Statesman, Captain [redacted]-pilot [redacted]-[illegible] Morrow of United Air Lines, and Captain [redacted] of United Air Lines both of whom only last night, July 2[illegible], 1947, made their observation on United Air Line flight 105 westbound out of Boise.

It is my opinion that descriptions could not be very accurate taken from the ground unless these saucer-like disks were at quite a great height and there is a possibility that all of the people who observed [illegible] objects could have seen the same thing I did; [illegible] been very difficult from the ground to observe these for more than four or five seconds, and there is always the possibility of atmospheric moisture and dust near the ground which could distort one's vision while air observers I would judge to be very accurate.

I have in my possession letters from all over the United States and people from [illegible] these objects have been observed over other portions of the world, principally Sweden, Bermuda, and

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California.

— I would have given almost anything that day to have had a movie camera with a telephoto lens and from now on I will never be without one— one, to continue further with my story. When I landed at Yakima, Washington, airport I described what I had seen to my very good friend, [redacted] who is the [redacted] He listened patiently and was very courteous but in a joking way didn't believe me. b7C

I did not accurately measure the distance between these two mountains until I landed at Pendleton, Oregon that same day where I told a number of pilot friends of mine what I had observed and they did not scoff or laugh but suggested they might be guided missiles or something new. In fact, several former Army pilots informed me that they had been briefed before going into combat overseas that they might see objects of similar shape and design as I described and assured me that I wasn't dreaming or going crazy.

I quote [redacted] a former Army Air Force pilot who is now operating dusting operations at Pendleton, Oregon "What you observed, I am convinced, is some type of jet or rocket propelled ship that is in process of being tested by our government or even it could possibly be by some foreign government". b7C

Anyhow, the news that I had observed these spread very rapidly and before [illegible] parts of the world; and, to date I have not received one telephone call or one letter of scoffing or disbelief. The only disbelief that I know of was what was printed in the papers.

I look at this whole ordeal as not something funny as some people have made it out to be. To me it is mighty serious and since I evidently did observe something that at least Mr. John Doe on the street corner or Pete Andrews on the ranch has never heard about, is no reason that it does not exist. Even though I openly invited an investigation by the [illegible]

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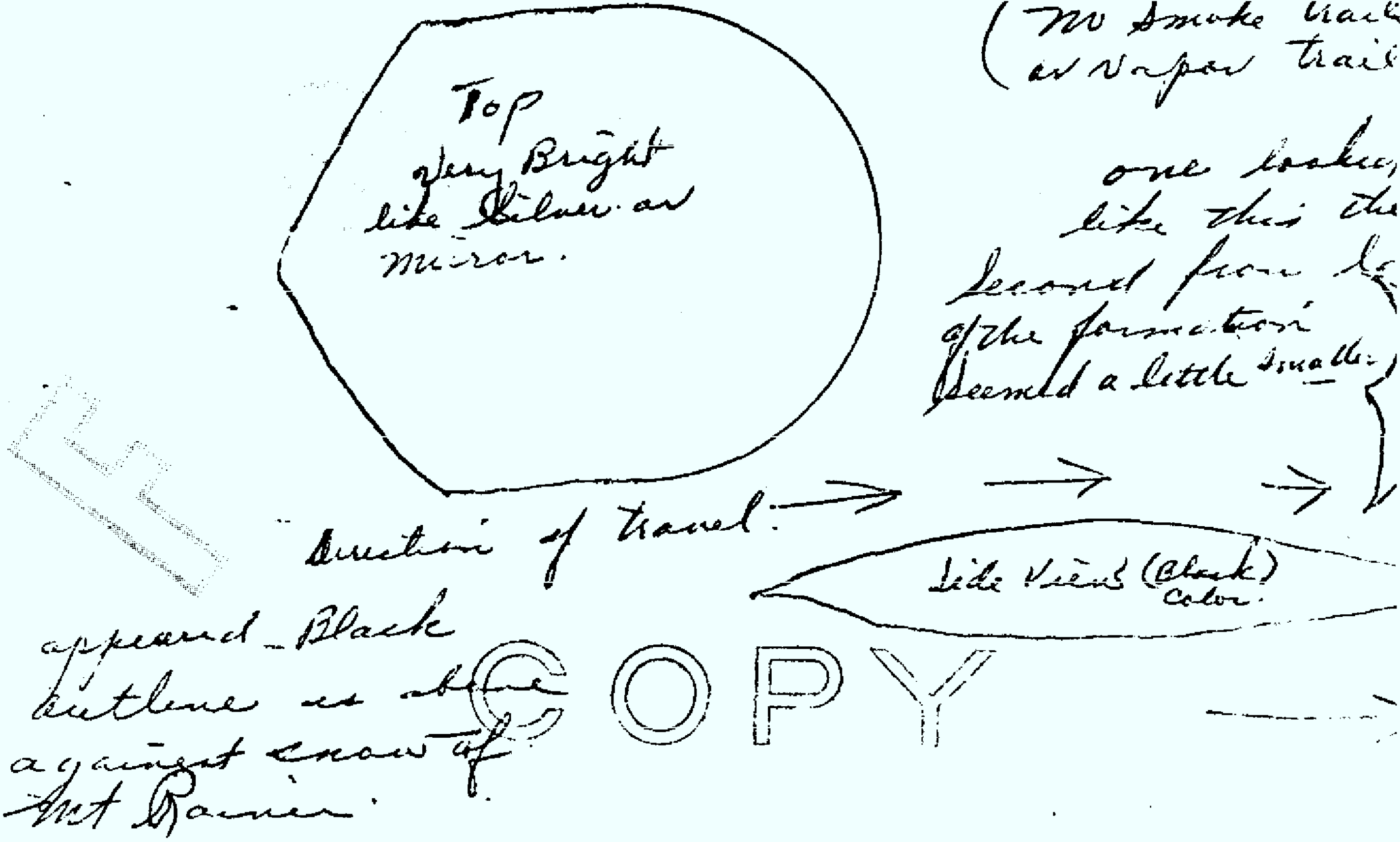
and the FBI [illegible] physical examination as to my capabilities, I received no interest from these two important protective forces of our country until two weeks after my observation. I will go so far as to assume that if our Military Intelligence was [illegible] of what I observed and reported to the United and Associated Press and over the radio on two different occasions which apparently set the nation buzzing, they would be the very first people I could expect as visitors.

I have received lots of letters from people who told me to make a lot of wild guesses. I have based what I have written here in this article on positive facts and as far as guessing what it was I observed, it is just as much a mystery to me as it is to the rest of the world.

My pilot's license is 333487. I fly a Callair airplane, which is a three place single engine land ship that is designed and manufactured at Afton, Wyoming as an extremely high performance, high altitude airplane that was made for mountain work. The national certificate of my plane is 33355.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M NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: August 28, 1947 [redacted]

FROM : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO

SUBJECT: REPORTS OF FLYING DISCS

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ATTENTION: ASSISTANT DIRECTOR D. M. LADD

On August 27, 1947, Lt. Colonel [redacted] A-2, Fourth Air Force, Hamilton Field, California, advised that the Area Intelligence Requirements Division Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, A-2 Headquarters, requested that one [redacted] of Phoenix, Arizona, be completely interviewed in connection with a report that he had seen on July 7, 1947, what he believed were flying discs. [redacted] is supposed to have taken several pictures of the discs with a 620 Box Camera.

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A previous report of this reported sighting of flying discs was forwarded the Bureau on August 8, 1947.

Colonel [redacted] has advised that [redacted], an intelligence agent of A-2 stationed at Long Beach, California, would arrive in Phoenix, Arizona, on or about September 2, 1947, and would be instructed to contact the Phoenix Field Division Office.

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In accordance with Bureau Bulletin No. 42, Series 1947, it is felt that an agent from the Phoenix Field Division should interview [redacted] Phoenix, if [redacted] has not already been interviewed. Colonel [redacted] indicated that Mr. [redacted] should, if possible, sit in on this interview.

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A copy of the report from A-2 dated August 4, 1947, along with three photographic prints of the pictures allegedly taken by Mr. [redacted], is being enclosed for the Phoenix Field Division.

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FLYING DISCS. ON INSTANT ~~DATE~~XXXX DATE, [redacted] [redacted] TWIN FALLS, IDAHO, AND ~~XXXXX~~ [redacted] [redacted], IDAHO [redacted] SAME COMMUNITY, ADVISED THAT ON WEDNESDAY MORNING, AUGUST THIRTEEN LAST, AT APPROXIMATELY NINE THIRTY AM WHILE FISHING IN RIVER APPROXIMATELY FORTY MILES SOUTHWEST OF TWIN FALLS, IDAHO, IN ISOLATED COUNTRY, THEY SAW TWO OBJECTS FLYING THROUGH AIR AT GREAT HEIGHT, WHICH ~~APPR~~XXXXX APPEARED TO BE DISCS, AND AT SAME TIME HEARD ROAR SIMILAR TO NOISE CREATED BY MOTOR TRUCK. INFORMANTS ADVISED OBJECTS MOVING VERY RAPIDLY AND ~~XXXXX~~ THAT THEY EACH APPEARED TO BE APPROXIMATELY SIX FEET IN DIAMETER. OBJECTS QUICKLY DISAPPEARED FROM SIGHT AND HAVE NOT BEEN SEEN SINCE . NO FURTHER DESCRIPTION THESE OBJECTS PRESENTLY AVAILABLE. FURTHER INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED BY THIS DIVISION PURSUANT TO BUREAU BULLETIN NO. FORTY TWO, SUB DIVISION B, DATED JULY THIRTY NINETEEN FORTY SEVEN. BUREAU WILL BE PROMPTLY INFORMED OF ALL PERTINENT DEVELOPMENTS.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR DATE: 9-15-47

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FROM : SAC, San Francisco

SUBJECT: REPORTS OF FLYING DISCS

Reference is made to my letter dated August 26, 1947. Enclosed is a copy of a letter dated September 9, 1947 from Lt. Colonel [redacted] of A2, with a memorandum prepared by [redacted] 4th Air Force CIC on August 20, 1947 and August 26, 1947. The memorandum contains information regarding observations of [redacted] of Sacramento, California. b7C

Also enclosed is a letter dated September 10, 1947 from Colonel [redacted] with attachment dated September 9, 1947. b7C

For the information of the Bureau, [redacted] of Boise, Idaho, who has been repeatedly interviewed in this matter by A2, has expressed his intention to A2 of selling for publication his detailed account of his investigation of flying discs. b7C

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I.D. Air Forces aware of these incidents
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HEADQUARTERS FOURTH AIR FORCE
Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, A-2
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3 September 1947

SUBJECT: Investigation of Flying Disc.

TO: Special Agent in Charge, FBI, U. S. Department of Justice, Room 422, Federal Office Building, San Francisco, California.

Attached MOIC for your information.

Donald L. Springer
DONALD L. SPRINGER
Lt. Colonel, Air Corps
Deputy AC of AS, A-2

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MOIC, Moon, dtd 20 Aug 47.

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Telephone message received from [redacted], Oakland Tribune:

[redacted] Sacramento 2, Calif, and insurance executive with the firm of McGuire and Sallis, of Sacramento, reported the following incident:

At 4 P.M. on August 14, while driving on Cedar Ravine Road, 4 to 5 miles southeast of Placerville, Calif, he, accompanied by his wife, observed a "vapor" trail moving from north to south. Closer observation revealed a piece of "shiny metal" at from 800 to 1000 feet altitude moving at a "high rate of speed". The object appeared to be more "rocket-shaped" than disc-shaped. It appeared to be approximately 8 feet in length and was "tilted in a semi-circle".

The object struck the ground with a "puff of black smoke" about 100 feet below the top of a hill which was approximately 750 feet ahead of the automobile driven by the observers. An intervening canyon prevented investigation of the location where the object was observed to have landed.

The observer is able to identify the location where the object was observed to land.

[redacted] is a University of California graduate, and is personally known by members of the Oakland Tribune staff. He is a brother-in-law of [redacted] of Southern California)

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UNIDENTIFIED OBJECT
4AF-1208-I
20 August 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR THE OFFICER IN CHARGE:

1. On 20 August 1947, this agent and Special Agent Hubbard interviewed [redacted], at his home, [redacted] Sacramento, California, and he stated in substance: On the afternoon of 14 August 1947, he was driving his automobile from Placerville, California, on the Cedar Ravine Road. [redacted] wife was in the front seat of the automobile and [redacted] mother and the two Switzer children were in the back seat of the car. At about 1600 hours they were at a point approximately five miles southwest from Placerville when [redacted] saw a white smoke trail out of the corner of his eye. In searching for a rocket ship (P80) he saw an object, four to six feet in length, ten to fourteen inches wide, and of a metal color, bright like highly polished chromium. In relation to the travel of the automobile the object was first seen at 1030, and when the object reached a point at approximately 1200, it was engulfed in a puff of dark gray smoke about ten feet in diameter. The object was traveling at a terrific rate of speed and seemed to be in a very shallow dive. When the puff of smoke appeared, the object disappeared completely and there were no particles seen to have fallen from the smoke. The point where the object was engulfed in the smoke was about eight hundred yards distant (in front of) [redacted] with no possibility of the object being hidden from view by vegetation or terrain. The object appeared rectangular in shape except for one very short period of time it appeared to have a top surface that was very slightly curved. [redacted] turned to tell his wife about the object and found her with her mouth open in an effort to say something and with her hand in a pointing gesture toward where the object had disappeared. The object was not very high in relation to the terrain and seemed to be following the contour of a canyon.

2. In a separate interview [redacted] concurred in the information obtained from [redacted] with the following exceptions: The smoke trail and the puff that engulfed the object appeared dark gray in color and there was no change in the color. [redacted] estimated the object to be about five feet long and about a foot wide with the top surface being slightly curved. The object appeared to be some larger in front than in the rear.

AGENT'S NOTES: At the time this object was seen, the sun was to the back, the sky was clear and the object gave off a very bright reflection. [redacted] has been connected with the field of insurance investigation for the last eighteen years and appears to be a man not desirous of publicity. The other passengers of the car did not see the object. [redacted] is in the process of moving to a ranch near Placerville, Calif., and his new address will be [redacted] Eldorado County, Calif. Arrangements have been made to meet [redacted] at 1400, 26 Aug 47 at [redacted] Placerville, Calif., for the purpose of going back over Cedar Ravine Road to locate the point where the object disappeared.

Drydcn A. Moon, Special Agent, 4AF/CIC

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AGENT'S NOTES: [redacted] will communicate with the AC of S, A-2, Headquarters Fourth Air Force, Hamilton Field, California, if any information regarding wreckage of an aircraft is located in the area in question. [redacted] was not informed of the mission and was led to believe that the mission was an effort to locate possible aircraft wreckage in the area.

Brydon M. Moon, Special Agent, 4AF CIC

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3. On 26 August 47, S/A Hubbard and this agent contacted [redacted] Placerville, California. After traveling Cedar Ravine road to a point nine miles southeast of Placerville, known as Buck's Bar, [redacted] decided that the place from where he had observed the object on 14 Aug 47 was nearer to Placerville. After a thorough check of the road, [redacted] believed the spot where he had observed the object to be on the ridge just north of Webber Creek where the road breaks over the summit. This point is two miles from the Raffels Hotel, Placerville, California, on the Cedar Ravine Road. As the road approaches the summit it curves to the left which would provide an observer from an automobile a sweeping view through 40° of the canyon and the horizon on the south side of Webber Creek. This point of observation lies 38° 42' 45" North Latitude and 120° 47' 15" West Longitude. The elevation at this point is 2,000 feet above sea level. The horizon from this point in the south is formed by a series of mountain peaks which lie generally through 38° 39' 45" and which are on the south side of Squaw Hollow Creek, a distance of four miles, and ranging in elevation from 2,300 feet to 2,500 feet above sea level. [redacted] was not definite as to what part of the field of view he had seen the object and indicated that it could have been as far as the horizon. Any object, or particles of an object, that [redacted] saw, if on the ground on the field of view, would be in a six square mile area of wooded, mountainous terrain which is full of canyons and ravines.

AGENT'S NOTES: This agent believes that [redacted] could have seen an aluminum surfaced conventional type aircraft which, due to the distance at which he observed it, distinguishing features were not seen because of the bright reflection and the short period of observation. The aircraft would have been coming from the left as [redacted] turned to the left, thereby giving the effect of a much greater speed than the object was really traveling. This agent has no explanation as to the smoke trail observed by [redacted]. If reconnaissance is desired of the area to see if anything can be located on the ground, this agent suggests that a small type aircraft similar to an L-5, be used in low level flight between the hours of 1100 to 1500. [redacted] was very cooperative and expended much of his own time in an effort to be of as much service as possible. [redacted] will communicate with the AC of S, A-2, Headquarters Fourth Air Force, Hamilton Field, California, in the event of any report of aircraft wreckage in the area.

4. On 26 Aug 47, a check with [redacted], State Forest Service, Camino, California, and [redacted] Forester, Federal Forest Service, Placerville, California, provided the following information: There has been no forest fires or reported aircraft crashes in the area in question within the last month.

Dryden E. Moon, Special Agent, 4AF CIC

HEADQUARTERS FOURTH AIR FORCE
Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, A-2
Intelligence
Hamilton Field, California

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10 September 1947

SUBJECT: Investigation of Flying Disc.

TO: Special Agent in Charge, FBI, U. S. Department of Justice, Room 422, Federal Office Building, San Francisco, California.

Attached MOIC for your information.

FOR THE AC OF S, A-2:

Donald L. Springer
DONALD L. SPRINGER
Lt. Colonel, Air Corps
Deputy AC of S, A-2

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE OFFICER IN CHARGE:

[redacted] Berkeley, California, was interviewed 5 September 1947 at his place of employment, the [redacted] University of California, concerning flying objects he reported to have seen on 29 July 1947 while with [redacted] of the 415th AAF BU (RT). [redacted] stated in substance that he was a 1st Lt in the Reserve and that on the 29th of July 1947 shortly after 12 noon he and [redacted] had just landed from a routine training flight when [redacted] called [redacted] attention to an unidentified flying object that was following a P-80 aircraft at a terrific rate of speed. [redacted] estimated the P-80 to be flying at approximately 250 miles per hour on a preliminary approach to landing at Hamilton Field. In [redacted] estimation the object he saw following the P-80 maintained a speed of three to four times that of the aircraft. A moment later a second object appeared and flew a course described as something similar to a fighter aircraft's maneuvers when accompanying heavier ships, or a left to right movement, over the object first sighted. [redacted] stated that this maneuvering continued until the objects were out of sight. He estimated the time to be approximately 15 seconds, the course approximately 120 degrees. [redacted] could not estimate the size of the objects nor actual altitude, though he did not believe them to be beyond six thousand feet. [redacted] described the objects as being milky white in color, and unlike any conventional type aircraft he had ever seen. When questioned whether he was familiar with the Navy "Flapjack", [redacted] stated that he was, and that he was certain the objects he reported seeing were not of this nature.

AGENT'S NOTES: [redacted] is a former officer of the U.S. AAF and a B-29 pilot of considerable experience. [redacted] does not convey the impression of being the kind of person who would "imagine" that he was seeing objects, nor has he any apparent desire for publicity. [redacted] is in charge of [redacted], Berkeley, California.

LESLIE S. HUBBARD, S/A, OIC ADC AAF

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI - AIR MAIL

DATE: August 26, 1947

FROM : SAC, San Francisco

SUBJECT: REPORTS OF FLYING DISCS

There are being transmitted herewith to the Bureau photostatic copies of three reports received from Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] A-2, Fourth Air Force, Hamilton Field, California, involving reported sightings of flying discs. b7C [redacted]

The Los Angeles Office is being furnished with a photostatic copy of the report of Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] dated August 18, 1947 concerning the investigation conducted at the Muroc Flight Test Base, Muroc, California. b7C

The Butte Office is being furnished with a photostatic copy of the report of Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] dated August 20, 1947 which sets forth a letter received from Mr. [redacted] Helena, Montana. b7C

This office is maintaining contact with Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] and will furnish the Bureau with a subsequent report from him concerning the observations of Mr. [redacted] Sacramento, California, who has reported certain observations which he believes may involve a flying disc at Placerville, California, on August 14, 1947. b7C

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HEADQUARTERS FOURTH AIR FORCE
Office [illegible] the Assistant Chief of Staff,
Intelligence
Hamilton Field, California

TITLE Investigation of Flying Disc.

INVESTIGATION MADE AT Muroc AAF, Muroc, Calif.

CONTROLLING OFFICE Air Defense Command, Mitchel Field.

FILE NO. 1208-I

PERIOD COVERED 8 July 1947

CASE CLASSIFICATION Incident

DATE 18 August 1947

STATUS OF CASE Pending

REASON FOR INVESTIGATION: Investigation initiated at request of Air Defense Command reference ltr Hq ADC, dtd 7 Jul 47, file D333.5 ID, subj: Investigation of Flying Disc.

SYNOPSIS:

On 8 July 1947, approximately 1000 hours, two incidents occurred in the vicinity of Muroc Flight Test Base.

No further investigation of these incidents is being considered by this headquarters

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DONALD L. SPRINGER, Lt. Col., GSC
AC of S, A-2

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The following is a statement given orally by Muroc Army Air Field, Muroc, California, given to Captain Harry D. Black, Intelligence Officer, on 11 August 1947.

, stated that the object he saw, he believed at the time to be paper and of no significance or the objects not important enough to be reported. There was nothing clearly enough seen by the Colonel to make any further reports justifiable.

This oral statement was given freely and voluntarily without any threats or promises under duress. This statement consists of one (1) page, and is the truth to the best of my knowledge and belief.

s/s harry d. black
CAPT. HARRY D. BLACK, MAC

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA)

COUNTY OF KERN)

The following is a statement given by [redacted] Muroc Army Air Field, Muroc, California, statement given on 11 July 1947.

At approximately noon on 8 July 1947, my attention was called to an object in the air by [redacted] I observed between five (5) and eight (8) miles to the North what appeared to be a thin metallic object. It appeared to be metallic because the method in which it was flying caused the sun to reflect like an apparently aluminum colored surface. The object moved from an intermediate altitude in an oscillating fashion, almost to the surface of the ground and then started climbing again. It climbed to a fairly high altitude and moved off slowly into the distance. The object appeared to be the size of a pursuit airplane but did not have the shape of a conventional plane. The time that the object was in view was approximately eight (8) minutes. This same object was seen by my wife at the same time.

This statement has been given freely and voluntarily without any threats or promises under duress. This statement consists of one (1) page, and is the truth to the best of my knowledge and belief. I have initialed all corrections deemed necessary.

[redacted]

WITNESS:

s/s thomas a. mcmillan
THOMAS A. MC MILLAN

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AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)

COUNTY OF KERN)

The following is a statement given by [redacted] 4144th AAFBU, Muroc Army Air Field, Muroc, California, statement given on 14 July 1947, to [redacted]

This is my own written statement of what I saw on July 8, 1947.

I am NCO in charge of the [redacted] this Field, and [redacted]

About 09:45 he was returning from the Post Exchange when he called to me to come outside and asked me to look up to where he was pointing and to my surprise I saw two (2) flying objects which appeared to me like two (2) flying disc or saucer shaped silver colored objects, flying in a northwestern direction at speed approximately 350 or 400 miles per hour and at an altitude of about 7500 or 8000 feet. I could not hear a motor roar like one of our planes and it could not have been a balloon.

I am of good health and sound mind and this was no hallucination.

This statement has been given freely and voluntarily without any threats or promises under duress. This statement consists of one (1) page, and is the truth to the best of my knowledge and belief. I have initialed all corrections deemed necessary.

[redacted]

WITNESS:

s/s thomas a mc millan
THOMAS A. MC MILLAN

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AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)

COUNTY OF KERN)

The following is a statement given by [redacted]; Muroc Army Air Field, Muroc, California, statement given on 11 July 1947, to Mr. Thomas A. McMillan, CIC S/A. this Station.

The following statement concerning the actual observance of what has been termed as a "flying Disc" or a "flying Saucer" is true and correct and it will be noted that the above mentioned observance was made by me personally while enjoying complete health in mind and body.

On Tuesday 8 July 1947, at approximately nine-thirty A.M. (09:30) I was in conversation with personnel in the Post Exchange Office. My part of this conversation was as follows:

> "Someone will have to show me one of these Disc before I will believe it."

Upon leaving the Post Exchange, I went directly to my Office and before entering heard one of our local aircraft in the traffic pattern. Looking up, as I always do I observed the aircraft, and looked slightly to the left, whereupon I observed two (2) silver objects of either a spherical or disc-like shape, moving about three hundred (300) miles an hour, or perhaps less, at approximately eight thousand (8000) feet, heading at about three hundred twenty degrees (320°) due north.

When I first observed these objects I called [redacted] who immediately came to where I was standing. I pointed in the direction of the objects and asked them the question "Tell me what you see up there." Whereupon, all the three (3) with sundry comments stated, "They are flying Disc". To further verify my observance I asked them to tell me in what direction the objects were traveling, without indicating their direction myself, and again, all three (3) in a consistent nature stated that the objects were moving toward Mojave, California.

I had time to look away several times and renew my vision of the objects to make sure that there were not any results of eye strain, or in any nature an optical illusion. The objects in question were not repeat; were not aircraft, the objects could not have been weather balloons released from this station, since they were traveling against the prevailing wind, and since the speed at which they were traveling and the horizontal direction in which they were traveling, disqualified the fact that they were weather balloons.

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After the observance of these phenomenon and hoping that I might have time to enlist further witnesses, I immediately ran into the dispensary to get personnel who are Medical Officers to verify, for my own curiosity, the actual observance of these objects, but by the time I reached the back porch of the dispensary, [redacted] who is a registered nurse, and about seven (7) other personnel were with me, the objects, had by that time, disappeared, due to the speed with which they were traveling. Upon further investigation, two (2) of us at the same time sighted another object of a silver spherical or disc-like nature at approximately eight thousand (8000) feet, traveling in circles over the North-end. I called the objects to the attention of [redacted] and pointedit out to the other personnel standing near by. All of us saw the object, with the exception of two (2) out of seven (7) personnel. All of us looked away from the object several times to make sure there was no eye strain or from permitting the object to become an optical illusion.

From my actual observance the object circled in too tight a circle and too severe a plane to be any aircraft that I know of. It could not have been any type of bird because of the reflection that was created when the object reached certain altitudes. The object could not have been a local weather balloon for it is very impossible that a weather balloon would stay at the same altitude as long and circle in such a consistent nature as did the above mentioned object.

I am familiar with the results of too constant vision of the sun or any bright object and am aware that optical illusions are possible and probable. I wish to make this statement that the above mentioned observance was that of actual subject matter.

This statement has been given freely and voluntarily without any threats or promises under duress. This statement consists of two (2) pages, and is the truth to the best of my knowledge and belief. I have initialed all corrections deemed necessary.

[redacted]

WITNESS:

s/s thomas a. mc millan
THOMAS A. MC MILLAN

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA)

COUNTY OF KERN)

The following is a statement given by , Muroc Army Air Field, Muroc, California, statement given to Mr. Thomas A. McMillan, CIC Agent, This station, on 13 August 1947.

On 7 July 1947, at approximately 10:10, while running up the XP-84 on the ground I noticed everyone was looking up into the air. Off to the north about 10,000 to 12,000 feet altitude, was an object that I assumed at first to be a weather balloon, but after looking at it for a while I noticed that it was oscillating in a forward whirling movement without losing altitude. It was traveling about 200 to 225 MPH, and heading from west to east.

The object was yellowish white in color and I would estimate that it was a sphere about 5 to 10 feet in diameter.

I did not have time to chase it in a P-80.

This statement was given freely and voluntarily without any threats or promises under duress. This statement consists of one (1) page, and is the truth to the best of my knowledge and belief.

WITNESS:

s/s thomas a. mc millan
THOMAS A. MC MILLAN

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA)

COUNTY OF KERN)

The following is a statement given by Muroc Army Air Field, Muroc, California, statement given to Mr. Thomas A. McMillan, CIC Agent, this Station, on 12 August 1947.

At 11:50 hours, 8 July 1947, while the undersigned was sitting in an observation truck located in Area # 3, Rogers Dry Lake, for the purpose of observing a P-82 ejection seat experiment, the following unfamiliarity was observed.

The undersigned was gazing upward toward a formation of two (2) P-82's and an A-26 aircraft flying at 20,000 feet, preparing to carry out a seat ejection experiment, when I observed a rounded object, white aluminum in color, which at first resembled a parachute canopy. The first impression was that a premature ejection of the seat and dummy had occurred. This body was ejected at a determined height lower than 20,000 feet, and was falling at three (3) times the rate observed for the parachute which was ejected thirty minutes later. As it fell it drifted slightly north of due west against the prevailing wind, toward Mount Wilson. The speed, horizontal motion could not be determined, but appeared slower than the maximum velocity 50-80 aircraft.

As this object descended through a low enough level to permit observation of its lateral silhouette, it presented a distinct ovular outline, with two (2) projections on the upper surface which might have been thick fins or nobs. These crossed each other at intervals, suggesting either rotation or oscillation of slow type.

No smoke flames, propeller arcs, engine noise, or other clasuable (?) or visible means of propulsion were noted. The color was silvery, resembling aluminum painted fabric, and did not appear as dense as a parachute canopy.

When the object dropped to a level such that comes into line of vision of the mountain tops, it was lost to the vision of the observer.

It is estimated that the object was in line of vision about 90 seconds. Of the five (5) people sitting in the observation truck, four (4) observed this object and made remarks about it. These people include:

- Civilian, Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio
(Other names not given)

The following is my own personal opinions about this object:

1. I think it was a man-made object, as evidenced distaintly by the outline and functional appearance.

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2. It's size was not far from 25 feet with a parachute canopy.

3. The path followed by this object appeared as though it might have been dropped from a great height.

Seeing this was not a hallucination or other fancies of a sense.

This statement was given freely and voluntarily without any threats or promises under duress. This statement consists of two (2) pages, and is the truth to the best of my knowledge and belief. I have initialed all corrections deemed necessary.

WITNESS:

s/s thomas a. mc millan
THOMAS A. MC MILLAN

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA)

COUNTY OF KERN)

The following is a statement given on 14 July 1947, by [redacted]

Muroc Army Air Field, Muroc, California.

I am fully aware of my Civil and Constitutional Rights, and understand prior to making this statement.

On Tuesday morning 8 July 1947, at approximately 10:00, while typing some cards, and taking care of my routine work, [redacted] called me, along with [redacted] to the front of B.O.Q. "A" Bldg. Pointing up in a direction directly above me he asked us to explain what we saw. There were two, silver colored disc like objects flying toward Mojave, California, one directl back of the other, at a speed of about 300 to 400 miles per hour, havi[illegible] an altitude of approximately 8000 feet. I listened carefully for a few minutes, and heard no drone, such as should be heard from any aircraft. I also cast my eyes to another direction and looking back to the same spot, I was able to distinguish the same objects again. Having assured myself that there was no eye-strain, I was convinced these objects were not weather balloons due to the horizontal position in which they were flying. Nor could they have been birds of any nature, due to the definite reflection from the sun rays.

I have been on this base, considering an absence of six months, approximately eighteen months, and am familiar with all type aircraft.

About three or four minutes, after these flying objects had nearly disappeared, I glanced around and sighted another flying object, similar to the above mentioned objects. This flying object was silver colored and was in the shape of a disc. Unlike the first two this object was flying in a tight circle, neither losing nor gaining altitude, at approximately eight thousand feet, therefore I was convinced it could not have been a weather balloon, and because of the tight circle it could not have been any type aircraft.

This statement was given freely and voluntarily without threats or promises under duress. This statement consists of one (1) page, and is the truth to the best of my knowledge and belief. I have initialed all corrections deemed necessary.

I am of sound mind and body, and swear that this statement is true and correct.

WITNESSES:

s/s thomas a. mc millan

THOMAS A. MC MILLAN

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA)

COUNTY OF KERN)

The following is a statement given by
4144th AAFBU, Muroc Army Air Field, Muroc, California, statement given on 14 July 1947, to

On the eight of July 1947 at ten o'clock (10:00) in the morning I observed personally two (2) flying disc, flying in a north west direction at an estimated altitude of seven or eight thousand feet, traveling at approximately three or four hundred miles per hour.

Just a few minutes before this I was in the Billeting Office and First Lieutenant Joseph C. McHenry called me and two (2) others outside. He then asked us what we saw. I saw two (2) objects with my own eyes, and I am now and was then in perfect physical condition. I have 20-20 vision and I am positive these two (2) objects could not have been Aircraft, weather balloons or birds. Due to the altitude in which they were flying, they gave off a definite reflection from the rays of the sun.

In addition to these two (2) disc I saw another object a few minutes later at the same altitude doing certain maneuvers such as flying in a tight circle. The two disc had already disappeared. This object to my knowledge of aircraft could not have been an airplane because of the very tight maneuver it was undergoing. I have been flying in and have been around all types of aircraft since 1943 and never in my life have I seen anything such as this. If necessary I can and will swear to this statement.

This statement has been given freely and voluntarily without any threats or promises under duress. This statement consists of one (1) page, and is the truth to the best of my knowledge and belief. I have initialed all corrections deemed necessary.

WITNESS:

s/s thomas a. mc millan
THOMAS A. MC MILLAN

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HEADQUARTERS FOURTH AIR FORCE
Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, A-2
Intelligence
Hamilton Field, California

4AFDA
333.5/1206-X   20 August 1947

SUBJECT: Flying Disc.

TO: Special Agent in Charge, FBI, U. S. Dept. of Justice,
Federal Office Building, Room 422, San Francisco, Calif.

1. The attached letter was received by this office from Mr. [redacted] Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company, on 18 August 1947.

2. No further investigation will be made of this reported incident by this headquarters.

Donald L. Springer
DONALD L. SPRINGER
Lt. Colonel, GSC
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427 W. 3d Avenue
Spokane, Washington
August 8, 1947

Military Intelligence Division, U.S.A.
McChord Field, Washington

Gentlemen:

Following the reading of an account of the visit of Mr. Kenneth Arnold, Boise, Idaho, as published in the Spokesman Review under date of August 7, 1947, the undersigned considered the enclosed account of an observation of a "flying saucer" would be of interest to you.

This account has not been given to any newspaper or other publication as yet.

Yours truly,

/s/ R. J. Madden
R. J. MADDEN,
Division Plant Engr.
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Report on a "Flying Saucer"

At or about 12:05 p.m., July [illegible], 1947, a sedan, driven by Steve Herrmann and carrying R. J. (Bob) Madden in the front seat and Karl Herrmann in the rear seat, was proceeding northwesterly along the road leading from Canyon Ferry to York, both in Montana some 25 miles N.E. of Helena.

When at a point approximately ½ mile N.W. of Canyon Ferry, (as shown on Forest Service Map to be in the SE¼ of NE¼ of Sec. 10 T10N R1W) Karl suddenly shouted "See it! See it! There's a flying saucer!" Steve immediately slowed down and gradually brought the sedan to a stop, he and Bob meanwhile scanning the sky in the direction pointed by Karl in an effort to see the "flying saucer", but without success.

Approximately ten seconds elapsed between the time Karl reported seeing the "saucer", coming over the horizon at high speed from the southwest, (Karl first thought it a meteor) and travelling northeasterly, and the bringing of the car to a stop.

As the car came to a stop, Steve, Karl and Bob, simultaneously, saw the following:

Directly ahead, (N.W) 2 to 3 miles distant and approximately 3000 ft. above the ground, a bright disc hovering and fluttering in the air. Descending and rising through a vertical distance of fifty or a hundred feet for a period of about five seconds then, while at the top of an ascent, the "disc" suddenly swooped to the Northeast at tremendous speed and disappeared into the clear air within a distance of 500 ft. That is to say it did not pass beyond an obstruction to further visibility but "melted into thin air" as if because of tremendous speed.

This disc was, from the viewpoint of the observers, apparently 3 ft. in diameter, circular and of no great thickness - approximately 3 or 4 inches.

The sky was blue with scattered small clouds, the sun was shining brightly and the disc gleamed and shimmered in the bright sunlight as if covered with highly polished nickel.

After the "disc" disappeared from view, the sedan and its occupants proceeded northwesterly along the road, but could discern no evidence of the presence of the "disc" along or adjacent to that thoroughfare.

It is to be remembered that the dimensions as stated above were as they appeared to the observers some 2 or 3 miles from the "disc" and the true dimensions must be considerably greater.

/s/ R. J. Madden,
R. J. MADDEN,
Division Plant Engr.
The [illegible] Tel. & Tel. Co.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
407 U. S. Court House
Seattle 4, Washington

August 18, 1947

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DIRECTOR, FBI

RE: FLYING DISCS SIGHTED BY [redacted] b7c
TACOMA, WASHINGTON
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Dear Sir:

The following, in general, are the facts regarding the flying disc story that started by [redacted] which subsequently resulted in news stories by the Tacoma Times, the Boise Statesman and the Chicago Times that a B-25 carrying Army Intelligence officers was shot down or sabotaged over Kelso, Washington on August 1, 1947 because it was carrying some flying disc fragments. b7c

The original story, as related by [redacted] was to the effect that [redacted] while patrolling in his boat near Maury Island, Washington, sighted six flying discs, one of which fluttered to the earth and disintegrated, showering his boat with fragments which caused some damage to the boat and killed his dog. [redacted] wrote a letter to [redacted] of Ziff-Davis Company which publishes fantastic adventure magazines in Chicago, sending him fragments of the flying disk and relating the above story. [redacted] requested Trans-Radio News in Chicago to verify the story as related by [redacted] telegraphed [redacted] confirming [redacted]s story. [redacted] then engaged [redacted] Boise, Idaho, who was the first to report sighting the flying disc and whom [redacted] had previously made a contract for a story regarding the flying disc, to come to Tacoma and check the story as related by [redacted] b7c

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[redacted] came to Tacoma, Washington July 30, 1947 and arranged for a meeting the following day, July 31, with [redacted] in his room 502, Winthrop Hotel, Tacoma, Washington. [redacted] also called to attend the meeting [redacted] United Airlines Pilot who had also reported seeing flying disc fragments, and Army Intelligence to attend b7c

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this meeting. [redacted] [redacted] Captain DAVIDSON and Lieutenant BROWN of Army A-2 Intelligence from Hamilton Field, California, all met in [redacted] room at various times during the afternoon and evening of July 31, 1947 and discussed the flying disc story as related by [redacted] The Army Intelligence Officers, Captain DAVIDSON and Lieutenant BROWN, left about 2:00 A. M. the morning of August 1, 1947 to return to Hamilton Field, California for Air Force Day in a B-25 and were carrying some of the reported disc fragments. The left engine on the B-25 burned an exhaust stack which in turn caught the left wing afire, the wing subsequently breaking off and tearing off the tail. The B-25 crashed, killing Captain DAVIDSON and Lieutenant BROWN. However, the Crew Chief and a hitch-hiker parachuted to safety. Intelligence Officers at McChord Field, Washington advised there was no indication of any sabotage. The plane crashed at Kelso, Washington approximately 2:50 A. M. August 1, 1947.

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Five anonymous calls were received by a [redacted] [redacted] and the [redacted] Tacoma, between 11:30 A. M., July 31, 1947 and 5:30 P. M., August 2, 1947. The first call was to a [redacted] approximately 11:30 A. M., July 31, in which the caller stated that there was a meeting taking place at that time in room 502 of the Winthrop Hotel concerning the disc fragments found on Maury Island. The second call was received between 11:00 A. M. and 12:00 noon, August 1, 1947 by the [redacted] in which the caller advised that at that moment a big meeting was taking place in [redacted] room number 502, Winthrop Hotel; that the B-25 which crashed was carrying disc fragments and that McChord Field officials had stated it was shot down or sabotaged. The third call was received Friday, August 1, 1947 at 5:30 P. M. by the [redacted] Tacoma, in which the caller stated that the B-25 which crashed at Kelso, Washington was carrying flying disc fragments and that the dead officers were Captain DAVIDSON and Lieutenant BROWN, A-2 Intelligence Officers at Hamilton Field, California. This call was prior to the release of the dead officers' names by Army authorities and the caller indicated that when the names were released, it would verify the information he was furnishing was correct. The fourth phone call was received at approximately 6:45 P. M., Friday, August 1 by the [redacted] in which call the caller stated the B-25 was definitely shot down and that if he contacted Army Intelligence officers, they would not deny it. The fifth phone call was received by the [redacted] Tacoma, at 5:30 P. M. August 2, 1947 at which time the caller stated the B-25 was shot down from the air with a 20 m.m. cannon; that the Marine plane found recently on Mt. Rainier had also been shot down and that [redacted] would be taken to Wright Field Tuesday morning. When the Army authorities released the names of the dead Intelligence officers which verified the information as given by the anonymous caller, the Tacoma Times printed this story on August 2, 1947 and carried several articles thereafter inferring that the B-25 had been shot down or sabotaged because of the fact that it was carrying disc fragments. [redacted] have admitted that the material which they sent to [redacted] had no connection with any flying discs and have given a signed statement to that effect which are being

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forwarded herein. [redacted] deny, however, that they actually started the flying disc story and their actual part in the story. United Airlines pilot, [redacted] states that [redacted] on July 31, 1947, both related their original flying disc fragment story. Information gathered would indicate that the anonymous phone calls were possibly made by [redacted] in order to build up the flying disc story to the point where they could make a profitable sale of the story to [redacted] Chicago, Illinois. No facts have been developed which would definitely prove that [redacted] made these calls. However, from all facts and information gathered, it appears he is probably the most likely to have made the anonymous calls. The detailed interviews of the persons contacted in regard to this flying disc story are being set out below. b7c

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent [redacted] at Tacoma, Washington on August 6, 7, 1947:

[redacted] [redacted] Tacoma, Washington, advised that in the early part of June, 1947 he was requested by the Seattle Post Intelligencer to check on a story which he was informed had been obtained from the [redacted] at Harper, Washington. The story was supposed to have originated with [redacted] [redacted] stated that the story was to the effect that [redacted] while patrolling in his boat near Maury Island, saw five or six flying discs, one of which fluttered toward the ground and finally disintegrated. Fragments of the disc were reported to have showered down on the boat of [redacted] causing some damage and killing his dog. [redacted] stated that he went to the home [redacted] Tacoma, Washington to check with him on this flying disc story. He stated that as best he could recall, this was just a few days after the first flying disc stories had appeared in the paper and was on a Sunday evening. He believed it was the early part of June. He stated that [redacted] took him in the kitchen and proceeded to talk about this flying disc story in low muffled tones. He stated that [redacted] acted rather suspicious and that shortly his wife came into the kitchen and was in a considerable rage, telling [redacted] to admit that the entire story was a plain fantasy which he had dreamed up. He stated that after his wife told [redacted] to admit the entire story was false, that [redacted] then admitted that there was nothing whatever to the story and it was an entire hoax. [redacted] stated that in view of the enraged condition of [redacted] wife, he immediately left and reported to the Seattle Post Intelligencer that the entire story was a hoax and that they should not print it in any way. He further stated that he advised the Seattle Post Intelligencer that [redacted] was a mental case and that nothing which he had reported should be carried as far as a news story. [redacted] stated that since that time he had received repeated requests from the Boise Statesman requesting information as to the flying disc stories reportedly originating with [redacted] [redacted] stated that he had never, in his experience, had such pressure brought upon him to release a news story and that he repeatedly advised the Boise Statesman that the story of seeing the flying discs by [redacted] was a complete fabri- b7c

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cation and should be in no way, carried as a news story and refused to furnish any information regarding these reports. He further stated that he advised the Boise Statesman shortly before, or at the time [redacted] left Boise to come to Tacoma to check on the flying disc stories with [redacted] that [redacted] should not come as the entire story was a hoax.

The following information was obtained from [redacted] Tacoma, Washington, [redacted]

It was the Tacoma Times paper which first issued a story on August 2 and subsequent stories intimating that the B-25 which crashed at Kelso, Washington on the early morning of August 1, had been sabotaged or shot down because of the fact that it carried flying disc fragments. [redacted] stated that on Thursday, July 31, at approximately 11:30 A. M. he received an anonymous phone call in which the caller stated that [redacted] and Army Intelligence officers were meeting in room 502 of the Winthrop Hotel to check on the flying disc story from which fragments were obtained on Maury Island. [redacted] stated he turned around to speak to his editor and when he picked up the phone again the line was dead. He stated that the caller asked for [redacted], [redacted] who was out at the time of the call. He stated that [redacted] called [redacted] at room 502 in the Winthrop Hotel and was advised by [redacted] that he could furnish no information as he was there on a Government mission. [redacted] stated that on Friday, August 1, between 11:00 A. M. and noon, he received another phone call for [redacted] in which the anonymous caller stated that he might have some information for him. [redacted] asked the caller if he was not the same party that had called the previous date and he said yes. The caller then related that at that moment there was a big meeting in progress in [redacted] room, 502, in the Winthrop Hotel; that the B-25 which crashed that morning in Kelso was carrying flying disc fragments from California and that McChord Field officials had stated the plane was sabotaged or shot down. The caller then hung up after making some statement to the effect that he was a switchboard operator. [redacted] stated that he went to the Winthrop Hotel on Friday about noon and found that there was no male operator on duty. He stated he then went to room 502 and [redacted] answered the door and that Captain [redacted] United Airlines pilot, was on the phone. [redacted] stated that he heard [redacted] make a statement to the effect that the information must be very strictly confidential. He stated that there were one or two others in the room besides [redacted] but that he could not identify them. He stated that [redacted] told him he could make no statement and that he had attempted to check the story with various people on Maury Island with negative results. He stated that about 3:30 P. M., Friday, he wrote a story regarding the mysterious informant and called [redacted] at his hotel room, stating that he had written this story and that [redacted] had better check it. He stated that he talked to [redacted] the United Press Wireman, Tacoma, who advised that the story sounded fantastic. [redacted] stated that about 5:30 P. M., Friday, August 1, an anonymous caller called [redacted] the

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[redacted] stating that Captain DAVIDSON and Lieutenant BROWN were the Intelligence officers that were killed in the crash of the B-25 and that civilians and the sheriff had been kept away from the wreckage with the Army guarding it. He stated the anonymous caller then said that the names had not been released yet by the Army and that this would verify his statements. [redacted] stated that the following morning, Saturday, August 2, the Army verified that the officers killed were Captain DAVIDSON and Lieutenant BROWN and two days later verified that they were Army Intelligence officers. [redacted] stated that the anonymous caller again later contacted [redacted] calling him by that name, and at this time stated he did not call the [redacted] or the [redacted] and denied calling [redacted] In this call the anonymous caller stated that, "Don't think I'm doing this for you." He then asked if the story had been put on the wire and when [redacted] said yes, the caller stated, "We want this to get back to New Jersey." The caller further stated that the B-25 was shot down by a 20 m.m. cannon and that the marine plane which was recently found wrecked on the side of Mt. Rainier, having been missing for several months, had also been shot down. The caller stated to [redacted] that he should get in touch with a flyer named [redacted] with United Airlines who, he stated, was with [redacted] when they were shot at over Montana. The caller then stated, "I'll see you Tuesday. I'm going to San Francisco." [redacted] stated that he had checked with [redacted] of United Airlines who denied knowing any pilot by the name of [redacted] denied ever having flown over Montana. [redacted] stated that [redacted] received another anonymous call in which the caller stated that [redacted] would be sent to Wright Field on Tuesday and that Saturday one of the men who found fragments of the flying disc was to be flown to Alaska. [redacted] stated that in view of the fact that the information as to the Intelligence officers on the B-25 had been as furnished by the anonymous caller, had subsequently been verified by the Army, the story was released that the B-25 was carrying disc fragments returning to Hamilton Field, California and furnishing the inference that the plane had been sabotaged or shot down. [redacted] stated that about 8:00 P. M. on Sunday, August 3, he contacted [redacted] at his home, [redacted] Seattle at which time [redacted] stated he had not given any story out to the Post Intelligencer at Seattle; stated that he had gotten a telegram to call a number in Boise and when he called and found out it was the Boise Statesman, he had hung up. He stated that the Boise Statesman then contacted him, at which time he admitted he had seen the disc fragments, but that he did not take any of them. This time [redacted] informed [redacted] that he had been with [redacted] Public Relations Officer from McChord Field, all afternoon until about 3:45 P. M. [redacted] informed [redacted] that he had told the Army authorities everything that he and [redacted] knew about the flying disc fragments story from the time that [redacted] left Boise, Idaho and he had left Seattle, Washington. This time [redacted] admitted that there were some of the supposed disc fragments in [redacted] room at the Winthrop Hotel and that [redacted] had been in the room Thursday afternoon. On Monday [redacted] stated that he called [redacted] who advised that if this were not used in the paper, he and [redacted]

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[redacted] would see him after lunch. [redacted] stated that about noon [redacted] and [redacted] contacted him at which time [redacted] stated that he and his son had been exploring a gravel pit on Maury Island and found some strange rock formations. He stated they picked up some of these samples and that [redacted] later saw them and they went back over to Maury Island at which time additional samples were obtained and that [redacted] sent these to a friend of his at the University of Chicago to have analyzed. They stated that they received a report and that apparently this friend had asked a newpaperman to find out where the rock formations were obtained. [redacted] and [redacted] told [redacted] that b7c sometime after the first flying disc story had appeared, they received a telegram from Trans-Ocean Press from Chicago wanting information on the flying disc fragments. [redacted] stated that they had at no time indicated the rock formations were a part of a flying disc and that Captain [redacted] and [redacted] were not interested in the rock formations and they denied giving them to [redacted]

[redacted], [redacted] Tacoma, Washington furnished substantially the same information that was obtained from [redacted] the [redacted] regarding the anonymous phone calls which he had received. He stated further that the first call he received was on Friday, August 1, at around 5:30 P. M. At this time the caller stated that the B-25 which crashed at Kelso, Washington was carrying disc fragments and that the two officers killed were Captain DAVIDSON and Lieutenant BROWN, officers with Army A-2 Intelligence at Hamilton Field and that the fragments were top secret material. He stated the caller indicated that when the Army released the names of the dead officers it would verify that the information he was furnishing was correct. [redacted] stated that the second call he received at approximately 6:45 P. M. Friday, August 1 at which time the caller stated that the B-25 was definitely shot down and that if he contacted Army Intelligence A-2, the man b7c in charge would not deny it. [redacted] stated he thought the man said to contact Colonel [redacted] but it was found out it was Colonel [redacted] who was in charge of Army Intelligence A-2. The caller further stated that the Sheriff's Office had been kept away from the crash and that no civilians had been allowed near the plane. [redacted] stated the third call he received at 5:30 P. M., August 2, and that this time the caller stated that one of the men who had been conferring with Captain [redacted] and [redacted] was taken to Alaska that day. The caller further stated that the B-25 was shot down from the air with a 20 m.m. cannon; that the Marine plane found recently on Mt. Rainier had also been shot down; that Captain [redacted] would be taken to Wright Field Tuesday morning and that a United Airlines pilot by the name of [redacted] flew with Captain [redacted] when they were shot at over Montana. The caller stated he was leaving for San Francisco and would be back Tuesday.

[redacted] and [redacted] both stated that they had made b7c very little effort to question the anonymous caller to obtain his identity as they felt it was useless and that if they started questioning him he would refuse to furnish any further information.

On August 5, 1947 Special Agent [redacted] was contacted in the resident agency office, Tacoma, Washington by [redacted] At this time [redacted] asked if the Seattle Office was investigation the crash of the B-25 and he was informed that no investigation was being conducted by the Seattle Office. [redacted] at this time related in a rambling story that he had picked up some strange rock formations which he had forwarded to a friend of his in the University of Chicago to have analyzed and that later, in some manner unknown to him, these rock formations had been reported as being fragments of a flying disc. b7C

On August 7, 1947 [redacted] were interviewed at the Tacoma resident agency office. Both [redacted] at first denied any knowledge of how the rock formations which they had picked up to have alalyzed became connected with the flying disc stories. Both denied making any statement to anyone that these rock formations were portions of a disc fragment. It was apparent from the start of the interview that [redacted] and [redacted] were not telling their complete and true connection with the flying disc story. They refused to give any definite information as to what they said or had done which caused them to become involved in a flying disc story, but gave evasive answers and repeatedly stated that they had nothing to do with it and were at a loss to understand how they became connected with the flying disc story. After considerable questioning, they stated that in the early part of June they sent to [redacted] of the Ziff-Davis Publishing Company which published the Fantasy magazine in Chicago and the Venture magazine in Evanston, Illinois, some rock formations which they had found on Maury Island. They stated they sent these formations, asking [redacted] to have them analyzed. They stated that later [redacted] wrote and asked for more samples, advising he had failed to analyze the samples. [redacted] stated they have never sent any additional samples and that the next they heard regarding the rock formations which they had sent [redacted] was when he called [redacted] and asked if the rock formations could have come from a flying disc. [redacted] stated he made some remark that they possibly could have come from a flying disc and that he immediately sat down and wrote a letter to [redacted] which was in the latter part of June in which he stated the material could have been portions of a flying disc. [redacted] claimed that he thought he told [redacted] over the phone something about being in his boat when he obtained these rock formations, but stated he could not recall what he had written to [redacted] and claimed that he passed the whole thing off as a joke. [redacted] were questioned at length in an attempt to obtain specific information as to exactly what each one had done with regard to the rock formations. However, each stated that the only thing they had done was tell [redacted] the formations could have come from a flying disc in view of the fact it appeared "that's what he wanted them to say". No definite information could be obtained from either [redacted] as to what each specifically had done to start the flying disc story. b7C

The signed statement which was obtained from [redacted] and b7 [redacted] and in which they admitted the rock formations had no connection with any flying discs is being forwarded to the Bureau herewith. The statement contains no information of value and therefore is not being set forth herein. b7c

Regarding the meeting which was held in the Winthrop Hotel on Thursday, July 31, [redacted] stated that they both met [redacted] there about 1:00 P. M. They stated that they all left [redacted] room about 3:00 P. M. and that [redacted] took [redacted] to Berry's Airport at Tacoma and [redacted] flew his plane to Seattle where he picked up Captain [redacted] [redacted] stated that he picked up [redacted] at Berry's Airport about 5:00 P. M. and that [redacted] came to [redacted] room about 7:00 P. M. [redacted] stated that he and [redacted] left about 8:30 P. M. when he drove [redacted] to Seattle to get his car and that [redacted] went home at this time. [redacted] stated they returned about 11:30 P. M. at which time the Army Intelligence officers were in [redacted] room and that [redacted] left about midnight. He stated that he returned to [redacted] room Friday afternoon for approximately one-half hour from 2:30 to 3:00 P. M., at which time [redacted] and [redacted] were still there and neither seemed to be able to recall if [redacted] was in [redacted] room on Friday, August 1. The best that could be obtained from [redacted] and [redacted] as to what took place in [redacted] room was to the effect that most of the talk was about flying, that no one seemed very interested in the rock formations and that they had no connection as far as they knew with any flying disc. [redacted] stated that [redacted] wanted to obtain pictures of the place where the rock formations were obtained and that the Army Intelligence officers did not appear to be interested in any manner whatever. b7c

[redacted] operates the [redacted] Millwater Avenue, Tacoma, Washington and [redacted] has recently been working with him buying timber. They have also been associated with the Harbor Patrol Association at Tacoma, Washington which furnishes patrol and police protection to parts of the harbor area which are not patrolled by Tacoma police or Sheriff's officers. [redacted] Tacoma, Washington, Army serial number [redacted]. During the war he was a pilot and it is believed presently holds a Reserve Officer's commission as a Captain. b7c

Regarding the B-25 which crashed, killing Captain DAVIDSON and Lieutenant BROWN of the 4th Aire Forces, Captain [redacted] A-2 Officer, Mc Chord Field, advised that this investigation of the crash reflected an exhaust stack had burned out on the left engine which in turn caught the left wing afire and that when the left wing broke off, it also broke off the tail. The plane at the time of the crash was carrying Captain DAVIDSON, Lieutenant BROWN, the hitch-hiker and a man as Crew Chief to take care of the airplane. The Crew Chief and the hitch-hiker parachuted to safety, but Captain DAVIDSON and Lieutenant BROWN were killed. He stated that their investigation reflected no indication of any sabotage whatever. b7c

A check of the records of the Winthrop Hotel at Tacoma, Washington revealed that [redacted] giving his address as [redacted] Mountview Drive, Boise, Idaho rented room 502 from July 30 at 7:43 P. M. until

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The following information was obtained by Special Agent [redacted] in interview on August 12, 1947 with Captain [redacted] United Airlines pilot: It should be noted that Captain [redacted] has previously received publicity for having supposedly seen flying discs or similar objects on July 4, last while on a routine United Airlines flight out of Boise, Idaho in company with his co-pilot [redacted] b7c concerning this incident. Captain [redacted] states that they took off from Boise, Idaho at 8:12 P. M. and headed Northwest at 300 degrees and while still climbing at 8,000 feet, co-pilot [redacted] called his attention to some objects in the sky ahead of them about ten degrees left which neither one could identify. [redacted] states that he called a CAA radio operator at Ontario, Oregon and requested him to step outside his radio shack and see if he could see any of these objects overhead. The CAA radio operator replied in the negative.

Captain [redacted] states that he first met [redacted] on July 5 in the offices of the [redacted] where both were being interviewed concerning their sighting of flying discs. [redacted] states that he next met [redacted] about three weeks ago in Boise, Idaho at which time he, [redacted] was on another flight through Boise, Idaho and had a ten minute lay-over there. On this occasion [redacted] was in company of Captain WILLIAM L. DAVIDSON and Lieutenant FRANK M. BROWN, Army Intelligence officers, and a [redacted] [redacted] next contact with [redacted] was on Thursday, July 31, last when he received a telephone call from [redacted] calling from Tacoma in the early afternoon at which time he asked [redacted] to come over to Tacoma and join him as he was investigating a flying disc story for "someone back East" and some fragments were involved which [redacted] might be interested in seeing. b7c After some discussion [redacted] agreed to join [redacted] in Tacoma and [redacted] told [redacted] he would fly over and pick him up at Boeing Airport at 4:00 P. M. [redacted] met [redacted] at Boeing Field at about 4:00 P. M. and they flew to Berry's Airport at Tacoma, Washington where they were met by [redacted] The three of them proceeded in [redacted] car to the Winthrop Hotel where [redacted] was occupying room 502. [redacted] ordered something to eat and during this time either [redacted] or [redacted] called a [redacted] and invited him up to the room. By this time [redacted] states he had learned from [redacted] that [redacted] were the participants in the latest flying disc story and [redacted] states that he had no previous acquaintance with either of these men before meeting them in Tacoma on this date. While in the Hotel Room [redacted] showed [redacted] a letter which he had received from [redacted] of the Venture Press of Chicago requesting that [redacted] investigate the [redacted] story in Tacoma. [redacted] informed [redacted] at this time that after receiving this letter he had called [redacted] by telephone in Chicago as a result of which call [redacted] had forwarded him $200.00 expense money for covering the story. Shortly thereafter, at about 7:30 P. M. [redacted] arrived at the Hotel room and the discussion began among the four men present as to what [redacted] had seen on Maury Island. [redacted] professed reluctance to tell the story, claiming that several unfortunate incidents had occurred subsequent to his seeing the flying discs and he believed the entire incident had brought him bad luck. In this connection he stated that four or five days subsequent to his sighting the flying discs, a man called at his home and had a conversation with him the course of which [redacted] was warned to forget all about everything he had seen on or near Maury Island. In addition to that, [redacted] stated that his sixteen year old son had run away from home following the incident and had been picked up by the police somewhere in Montana. After some further discussion [redacted] finally agreed to tell his story of the flying disc incident in front of [redacted] after eliciting a promise from [redacted] that he would not discuss the matter for at least two weeks. It should be noted that [redacted] had previously told his story to [redacted]. At this point [redacted] related the incident which has already been described and which he alleged had taken place on or about June 23 or 24. While relating the incident [redacted] mentioned that he had taken pictures of the flying disc which he had seen but that the printed films were marred with white spots. When [redacted] had concluded his story, [redacted] related that he had gone the following day to Maury Island to verify what [redacted] had told him concerning the fragments and had at this time picked up several fragments and taken them with him. At this time [redacted] related that he also saw one of the flying discs hovering over the Island but that it had disappeared into a cloud. When [redacted] and [redacted] had finished telling their story [redacted] told the group that he had earlier in that evening called Captain DAVIDSON and Lieutenant BROWN, Army Intelligence officers and that they were on their way to the Hotel room. At this point [redacted] protested that he did not wish to tell his story before anyone else and he was advised by [redacted] that if such was the case why didn't he just leave and not be there when they arrived. [redacted] then left the room and went downstairs. [redacted] departed alone. [redacted] drove [redacted] back to Boeing Field near Seattle where [redacted] desired to pick up his own personal car, which he did. They then returned to the Hotel where they found Captain DAVIDSON and Lieutenant BROWN in room 502 with [redacted]. [redacted] met them at the door and seemed excited, explaining to [redacted] that Captain DAVIDSON had just drawn a reproduction of a freak disc which had supposedly been seen by a woman in Arizona and that this drawing was an exact reproduction of the flying disc which he, [redacted], had seen several weeks before, nearing Mt. Rainier. [redacted] states that shortly after this [redacted] seemed very anxious to tell his and [redacted] story to the Army officers. Before this was done, however, [redacted] had a discussion with Lieutenant BROWN, informing him that they had promised [redacted] not to release the story for two weeks and that if [redacted] were allowed to tell the story at this time, BROWN and DAVIDSON must agree not to release the story for one month. Following this agreement, [redacted] related [redacted] and his story of the flying discs over Maury

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Island to BROWN and DAVIDSON. Following this recitation, Lieutenant BROWN, in answer to a query from [redacted] said that he and Captain DAVIDSON were of the opinion that there might be some truth in the current flying disc stories, but that their immediate superiors (presumably A-2 at Hamilton Field) did not agree with them. BROWN and DAVIDSON then held a brief discussion as to whether they should return that same night to Hamilton Field and they decided that they would. All five of the men then went down to the lobby where BROWN detached himself from the group and entered a phone booth to call for a car from McChord Field. [redacted] also left the group and met BROWN outside the phone booth where they held a short discussion relative to the credibility of [redacted] [redacted] story. BROWN indicated to [redacted] that he should attempt to find out if the story was on the level and that BROWN would call him the following day regarding this matter. The group then proceeded to the front of the Hotel at which time [redacted] brought his car to the front of the Hotel and took from his trunk a box of the alleged flying disc fragments picked up on Maury Island. He offered them to BROWN and DAVIDSON and when the Army car arrived from McChord Field the box of fragments was placed in the car with the officers. [redacted] departed alone and [redacted] went in search of something to eat and later returned to the Hotel for the night.

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On Friday morning, August 1, 1947, [redacted] received a call from [redacted] informing him that a B-25 had crashed during the night and it was believed to be the same plane which BROWN and DAVIDSON were flying. Following this call [redacted] and [redacted] came to the Hotel room and from the room [redacted] again called McChord Field in an attempt to get information about the crash. [redacted] took the phone from [redacted] and spoke to a Colonel [redacted] identifying himself and asking if the B-25 which crashed was the only one which had taken off from McChord Field the previous night. [redacted] told him that it was. Following this call [redacted] called [redacted] in Chicago and informed him of the previous night's conversations and the fact that DAVIDSON and BROWN were believed to have been killed. [redacted] told [redacted] to discontinue his investigation of the incident and that he, [redacted] was no longer interested. [redacted] then took the phone from [redacted] and asked [redacted] if he could shed any light on the situation. [redacted] was unable to say what [redacted] reply to [redacted] was. Following these telephone discussions [redacted] says that he called [redacted] whom he identifies as a personal friend of his and an [redacted] [redacted] states that he had previously made an agreement with [redacted] in Chicago that should he ever run across any flying disc stories which showed promise of news value, that he would contact [redacted] and this call was a result of that agreement. Shortly afterward, Colonel [redacted] called him from McChord Field stating that Hamilton Field had requested that [redacted] [redacted] and [redacted] submit their addresses to Hamilton Field for convenience of any Army investigation of the incident which may be forthcoming. After this call the four men went to a restaurant for lunch. During the course of this meal [redacted] excused himself from the table and attempted to call SAC BOBBITT of the Portland Field Office, Federal Bureau of Investigation with whom he claims acquaintance. BOBBITT, however, was unavailable and [redacted] was unable to complete the

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call. After returning to the Hotel room, a [redacted] called attempting to gain information, but they did not give him any. Later, a Mr. [redacted] of the [redacted] called and [redacted] spoke to him on the telephone but refused to give out any information. [redacted] further relates that while the four men were in the room at this time, an envelope was shoved under the door and that he retrieved it from the floor. [redacted] states that the appearance of this envelope seemed to startle [redacted] considerably and that in fact, [redacted] turned white as a sheet until [redacted] read the note unsigned which was a communication to the Hotel advising that a strike of Hotel employees was eminent and that guests should not expect room and telephone service much longer. Shortly after this incident [redacted] left the Hotel room after promising to take [redacted] to Maury Island the following morning, (Saturday). [redacted] and [redacted] then went out for dinner and on their return, [redacted] found a note in the box requesting him to call a certain telephone number. He did this from the Hotel room and was answered by [redacted] [redacted] who requested [redacted] to go out and call him from a pay station. [redacted] complained and was informed by [redacted] that two anonymous telephone calls had been received by him that a discussion regarding flying discs had been taking place in room 502 at the Winthrop Hotel which involved Army Intelligence officers. From the information which [redacted] had received, [redacted] was convinced that the anonymous caller must have been present at the discussion also, as [redacted] was seemingly in possession of pertinent remarks which had been made in the room. [redacted] states that he did not give [redacted] any further information and that in conclusion of the call, he returned to the Hotel room and he and [redacted] retired for the night.

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On Saturday morning, August 2, 1947 [redacted] redeived a telephone call from [redacted] in Chicago, but was unable to give him any further information. [redacted] advised him, however, that he would call him back at 2:30 that afternoon. [redacted] then called from a coffee shop nearby and [redacted] and [redacted] joined [redacted] and an unknown man in the Coffee Shop for breakfast. The unknown person was discussing some lumber business with [redacted] and left after breakfast. On leaving the coffee shop, [redacted] asked [redacted] about the negatives of the photographs which he claimed to have taken of the flying discs. [redacted] said the negatives were in the glove compartment of his car, but a search of the instant glove compartment was fruitless. The four then proceeded in [redacted]s car to the dock where they were to embark for Maury Island. The boat, however, could not be started and the trip was postponed until later in the day. While at the dock, however, [redacted] asked to be shown the damage to the boat which had allegedly occurred when the fragments showered down on Maury Island. [redacted] pointed out what may have been repairs to the windshield and lights on the boat, but [redacted] was not personally satisfied that these repairs were made as a result of any such incident. [redacted] then drove [redacted] and [redacted] back to the Hotel at approximately 10:45 A. M. and [redacted] told them he would call them later on and that they would go to Maury Island. On returning to the Hotel, [redacted] called [redacted] at the Tacoma Times as a result of which call he and [redacted] met [redacted] at the Coffee Shop across the street from the

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Winthrop Hotel. [redacted] stated that the purpose of this meeting was to try to find out something more about the anonymous phone calls which [redacted] had told him about. He and [redacted] still refused to give out any further information regarding the Thursday evening conference to [redacted] and were informed by [redacted] that the [redacted] was afraid of being scooped on the story and was going to print something on that day. [redacted] and [redacted] then returned to the Hotel and shortly thereafter received a phone call from [redacted] but the call was cut off by the switchboard operator since it was not an emergency call. [redacted] and [redacted] then returned to the Hotel lobby where they found a telegram from [redacted] asking them to call him at either Broadway or Proctor [redacted] is not sure of the exchange. [redacted] called this number, but [redacted] was not there. [redacted] states that he went then to the Western Union Telegraph Office and dispatched a collect telegram to [redacted] at the [redacted] which contained a brief resume of the incidents which had occurred and which requested [redacted] to wire [redacted] a telephone number where [redacted] could be reached after 6:00 P. M. [redacted] states that he has never received an answer to that wire. Following this, [redacted] states that he and [redacted] that he and [redacted] were sitting in the lobby of the Olympic Hotel when [redacted] entered and gave them each a copy of the latest edition of the Tacoma Times which contained a story hinting at sabotage in the crash of the Army B-25 which killed Captain DAVIDSON and Lieutenant BROWN. [redacted] stated that he and [redacted] continued to occupy seats in the Hotel lobby most of the afternoon inasmuch as they were unable to receive calls in the Hotel room due to the Hotel employees' strike. He relates that he received a call in the late afternoon from [redacted] advising him to call [redacted] that evening at [illegible]:30 as [redacted] had further information regarding the anonymous calls. [redacted] also received a telegram requesting that he call [redacted] which he did and found that it was [redacted] of the [redacted] He refused to give [redacted] any further information at this time. However, shortly thereafter, [redacted] called from Boise and advised [redacted] that the Army had released a story through Brigadier General SHRAM revealing the confidential assignment which BROWN and DAVIDSON had been engaged on. In view of this release, [redacted] requested [redacted] to answer one question for him which was, "Were they carrying any alleged disc fragments on the plane?" and [redacted] answered, "Yes, they were." Following this [redacted] called [redacted] as per his earlier request and was informed that [redacted] of the [redacted] had received another anonymous phone call at which time "the voice" said that the Army B-25 carrying Captain DAVIDSON and Lieutenant BROWN had been shot down with 20 m.m. shells and that the Marine plane found on Mt. Rainier had also been shot down with 20 m.m. shells. The voice went on to state that [redacted] would be called back to Wright Field on Tuesday. When [redacted] asked why he was giving out this information the caller replied that it was not for the benefit of the newspapers, but that he was interested in seeing that the information got back to New Jersey. The voice also informed [redacted] at this time that one of the two persons who had been talking to [redacted] and [redacted] had now left for Alaska. As a result of this latter bit of information [redacted] decided to find out if [redacted] or [redacted] had left town. He located [redacted] at the Sunset Theatre and [redacted] came to the Hotel and met [redacted] and [redacted] They were unable to locate [redacted] by phone and [redacted] left saying that he would try to find out where [redacted] was and that he would call them tomorrow (Sunday) and that they would go out to Maury Island at that time. After [redacted] left,

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[redacted] and [redacted] went to the [redacted] where a [redacted] met them and took them to [redacted] in the [redacted] There they read the latest press releases and had a discussion with [redacted] regarding the anonymous phone calls. In the course of this discussion [redacted] mentioned the name of Major [redacted] Public Relations Officer at McChord Field as being one of the officers interested in the investigation. b7C

Following this discussion with [redacted] at which time [redacted] states they still refused to divulge any further information, [redacted] and [redacted] returned to the Hotel for the night. b7C

On Sunday morning, August 3, 1947, [redacted] appeared at the Hotel room and told them that he had received a letter from [redacted] which said in effect, "Take care of my business. I'll be out of town for three or four days." [redacted] had a letter with him but he did not show it to [redacted] or [redacted] The three men then drove to [redacted] secretary's house in South Tacoma and picked her up and the four of them then went to breakfast on the South Tacoma highway. While the four of them then went to breakfast [redacted] excused himself and called Major [redacted] at McChord Field and arranged an appointment to meet him at the Hotel lobby at 11:00 A. M. They then took [redacted] secretary to her home where [redacted] picked up a typewriter and then drove [redacted] and [redacted] back to the Hotel. They asked him if he was going to take them to Maury Island that day and he replied that he was not. He further stated that he was sick of the entire business and that if he was ever contacted by the Army or the authorities he was going to deny ever having seen anything and claim to be "the biggest liar that ever lived". Shortly after returning to the Hotel, [redacted] met Major [redacted] in the lobby and they went in [redacted] car to a coffee shop in South Tacoma where [redacted] proceeded to tell Major [redacted] the entire story of the incidents which had occurred in Tacoma regarding the [redacted] and [redacted] story since Thursday afternoon. Following this, [redacted] took Major [redacted] back to the Hotel and introduced him to [redacted] and suggested to [redacted] that he also tell Major [redacted] the entire story of what had occurred. [redacted] did so. Major [redacted] after looking at the fragments which were still in the room suggested that they drive out to the Smelter near Tacoma as he believed the slag at the Smelter would bear a distinct resemblance to these fragments. The three men then drove to the Smelter and the slag was noted to be definitely similar to the fragments which [redacted] and [redacted] had left in the Hotel room. They then returned to the Hotel room and Major [redacted] left them. After packing their bags, [redacted] took [redacted] to Berry's Airport where his plane was parked and then [redacted] drove himself back to Seattle. b7C

About an hour after his arrival in Seattle, which was approximately 7:30 P. M., [redacted] of the [redacted] appeared at [redacted] home with the newspaper containing the Associated Press story which had originated in Boise, Idaho in the Boise Statesman and which was written by [redacted] following [redacted] admission to him that fragments had been carried by Lieutenant [illegible] and Captain DAVIDSON on the fatal B-25 flight. [redacted] at this time continued to refuse to give any statements for the Press and told [redacted] that he had placed b7C all of his information in the hands of the Army. [redacted] stated that a couple of days later he called [redacted] at McChord Field and asked him if there was any recent information concerning the incident. [redacted] states that [redacted] informed him that [redacted] had not yet been contacted, but that the Federal Bureau of Investigation was "setting a trap for him". [redacted] further advises that on Friday, August 8, 1947, he appeared before Lawyer [redacted] at the County-City Building, Seattle and made a deposition of the facts relating to the incidents in Tacoma from Thursday afternoon, July 31, last until Sunday morning, August 3, last. b7c

A copy of this deposition is now in possession of the writer and is being forwarded herewith to the Bureau. It should be noted that this deposition is in no way as complete as the statement taken by the writer above and any setting out of this deposition in this communication would be superfluous.

Copies of this communication are being sent to the Butte, Portland, San Francisco and Chicago Offices for their information only. Unless advised by the Bureau to the contrary, instant investigation is considered closed by this office.

For the information of the Bureau, Captain [redacted] Intelligence Officer, McChord Field, Ft. Lewis, Washington advised at the weekly O.N.I.-S.I.D.-F.B.I. Intelligence conference that the Public Relations Officer at McChord Field had received a telephone call from an individual at Army Air Forces Headquarters at Washington, D. C., during which call the Public Relations Officer was requested to obtain a signed statement from [redacted] which could be published and thus publicly close the matter. Captain [redacted] further related that he had no additional information in this matter and that he did not handle it. b7

Very truly yours,

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b7c [redacted] being first duly sworn, on oath, deposes and says:

This is a narrative statement as to what took place in Tacoma from Thursday, July 31 until Sunday, August 3.

Thursday I received a telephone call from Tacoma from a [redacted] The gist of this conversation was that he thought it would be a good idea for me to come to Tacoma and listen to the b7c story of two men whose names were [redacted] This [redacted] had met two times previous -- once on July 5 at the office of the P.I. in Seattle for a very brief time and the second time in Boise, Idaho when I was passing through on one of my trips.

In this conversation with [redacted] on the phone, I made t statement that it would be impossible for me to go over to Tacoma due to my going out to Salt Lake City the next morning. He said that he would fly over from Tacoma and pick me up at Boeing Field b7c I agreed to this proposition from [redacted] At 4 o'clock I met [redacted] at the Boeing Field and we flew back and landed at Barry's Airport. We were picked up at the airport by [redacted] who drove the two of us into the Winthrop Hotel. We went up to Room 502 -- [redacted]

[redacted] put a telephone call into [redacted] and asked him would he come up to the room. A half hour later [redacted] made his appearance. At this time there were four men in the room -- [redacted] asked Mr. [redacted] to relate his story as to what took place on June 24. Mr. [redacted] was very hesitant about telling the story to me. [redacted] and b·7c Mr. [redacted] were already aware of the statements that [redacted] had ma previous. Mr. [redacted] made the statement to me that if any statemen he would make relative to his story, if I would keep it confident for two weeks, that he felt definitely that I would want to forge the whole thing. I made the statement to Mr. [redacted] that as far as was concerned, I would keep any statements he made to me confiden for at least two weeks.

Here is [redacted] story: On June 24 (this date to be chec later) he was in a boat owned by [redacted] who owns the Harbo b7c Patrol in Tacoma. They -- Mr. [redacted] a Mr. [redacted] and Mr. [redacted] son age 16, were cruising around Maury Island looking for logs th had broken away from booms. They were fairly close to shore of Maury Island when they saw four or five objects in the sky at an altitude of approximately 1500 feet. He said these objects were

100 feet in diameter, circular in shape, and it appeared that there was a hole in the center of each as he could see the sky through this hole. He also mentioned that on the inside of the circle or the hole, that portholes were visible. Their speed was negligible as they appeared to hover over a given spot. One of these objects appeared to be in trouble. Another object came over and appeared to make contact. After making this contact for approximately two minutes, it rose to its original position.

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At this time the object that appeared to be in trouble seemed to throw a lot of debris from one of the portholes. These objects then disappeared from view. Some of this debris that landed broke in the wheelhouse of the boat, the spotlight, and the klaxon. While this debris was falling, my boy and Mr. [redacted] got off the boat and hid under some logs. This debris that fell killed our dog and a sea gull. I asked Mr. [redacted] what was done wit the dog. He made the statement they threw the dog into the water.

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This story was told to Mr. [redacted] who the next day went out to this Island to check on this story. He verified the fact of the damage to the boat, also to the fact that there appear to be quite a few pieces of either rock or metal on the shore. Mr [redacted] also stated that while he was over there investigating on Maury Island, he also saw a disk. This disk was of the same shape and contour as the objects explained by Mr. [redacted]

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At this point Mr. [redacted] clarified for me as to the reas he was investigating this story. Mr. [redacted] stated that he recei a letter from a Mr. [redacted], [redacted] [redacted] Evanston, Illinois. The gist of this letter was that Mr. [redacted] received a letter from Mr. [redacted] and Mr. [redacted], also a package of these fragments that were found on Maury Island. Mr. [redacted] also made the statement in the letter that the Chicago University failed to analyze these fragments and that would Mr. [redacted] please investigate the story. Mr. [redacted] was sent a Western Union check for $200.00 to take care of any expense that he might incur while making this investigation.

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Mr. [redacted] had made a telephone call to Hamilton Field t contact a Captain Davidson and a Lieutenant Brown, who were with A-2 Intelligence at Hamilton Field, asking them would they make a trip to Tacoma to also listen to this story of [redacted] and [redacted] When Mr. [redacted] acquainted me with the fact that he had made this phone call in front of Mr. [redacted]; Mr. [redacted] made the statement that he would not tell this story to anybody in Army Intelligence. I made the statement to Mr. [redacted] that if he felt this way, that he should not be in the room when these two Intelligence officers arrived. Mr. [redacted] thought this was an excellent idea.

[redacted] left the hotel room to go downstairs as Mr. [redacted] wanted to get some metal that was in b7c the back of his car that he had picked up on Maury Island, to bring back to the hotel room. Mr. [redacted] departed.

At this time I made the statement to Mr. [redacted] that I should like to pick up my car in Seattle. Mr. [redacted] drove me to Boeing Field, Seattle. After leaving me at Boeing Field, he drove back to Tacoma and I drove my own car back to Tacoma. After I had put my car in the garage at Tacoma, I went up to the Winthrop Hotel and in the room at that time was Mr. [redacted] Mr. [redacted], and Capta b7c Davidson from Army Intelligence. Lieutenant Brown was downstairs getting sandwiches and coffee. When Lieut. Brown came back, the stories were again related and Lieut. Brown made a statement that all the facts of these stories would be held in strictest confiden until released by Mr. [redacted]

After Mr. [redacted] had told all the facts, relating not only his own story but that of Mr. [redacted] he asked for the opinion of both officers as to what they thought. Lieut. Brown made the b7c statement that he would like to obtain some of these fragments to take back to Hamilton Field.

At this time Capt. Davidson and Lieut. Brown were debati the thought as to whether to stay over night in Tacoma or leave fo Hamilton Field immediately, as the B-25 they were flying was supposed to be at Hamilton Field the next day for the Air Show.

The five of us then left the hotel room and went down to the hotel lobby where Mr. [redacted] made a telephone call to McChord Field asking them to send a driver to pick up Capt. Davidson and himself. Lieut. Brown came up to me and made the statement that h and Capt. Davidson were going back to Hamilton Field and that he b7c would get in touch with me tomorrow and if after I had seen the fragments on Maury Island, if I thought in my own mind that this was authentic, they would immediately leave Hamilton Field and return. I was to hold this statement by Lieut. Brown in the strictest of confidence from the other group of three [redacted] and [redacted].

We then went down to the street where Mr. [redacted] drove car up in front and took out a box of fragments and gave this box Davidson and Brown. While waiting for the driver from McChord Fie b7c Lieut. Brown and I discussed Pacific operations and things not pertaining to this mission. Capt. Davidson and Lieut. Brown departed approximately 12:45 A.M. Mr. [redacted] and I went back to our hotel room after having a midnight snack.

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Friday the 1st: At approximately 8 o'clock in the morning, Mr. [redacted] called up our hotel room and acquainted us with the fact that the B-25 had crashed. Also that he had called McChord Field and from information he received also verified the fact that the two men in the ship were Capt. Davidson and Lieut. Brown, plus a flight engineer and a hitch-hiker. This left both Mr. [redacted] and myself in a very bad state of concern. Approximately an hour later Mr. [redacted] and Mr. [redacted] made their appearance in the hotel room. I still wasn't sure that this was the same B-25 that the two Intelligence officers had left in last night. Mr. [redacted] then again called McChord Field and talked to a Colonel [redacted] and the fact was verified again that the two pilots were Davidson and Brown.

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After an hour or so Mr. [redacted] and Mr. [redacted] left the hotel room with a plan in mind of the four of us meeting the next morning (Saturday) for breakfast and going out to Maury Island.

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That evening (Friday) there was a message for me to call this particular telephone number that was on the message. I calle this number and was asked by the party to please call them from a paystation. This party was a Mr. [redacted], a [redacted] on the [redacted] He told me, "I most certainly am doing myself out of a goo story but I thought you ought to know that somebody has been calli this paper and giving us a blow-by-blow description of all that ha taken place in your room since you arrived." To verify this, Mr. [redacted] repeated back to me discussions that I felt had only been taking place in our room.

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Mr. [redacted] also made the statement that there was a leak either from the switchboard operator or our room had been tapped. I asked Mr. [redacted] why he was tipping us off with this information. He made the statement that he didn't mind doing this if in return that any information that I may let out would be given to him. After this conversation with Mr. [redacted] I went back to our room and told Mr. [redacted] what took place on the telephone.

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Saturday morning: Mr. [redacted] and I met Mr. [redacted] and [redacted] for breakfast. We then drove out to the boat to go to the island. The boat was unserviceable at the time so we went back to the hotel. Mr. [redacted] said that he would call later on in the day and let us know when the boat would be repaired. That was the last time I saw Mr. [redacted]

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Approximately 11 o'clock Saturday morning Mr. [redacted] phoned me and made the statement it would be impossible for him t keep this appointment with me. We were cut off by the switchboar operator as this was classified as not an emergency call. The reason we were cut off was due to a strike in all the Tacoma hote

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Mr. [redacted] called up and said if I would call him at 8:30 that evening, he would have some additional information for me. I called Mr. [redacted] at 8:30 that evening. He told me that this anonymous caller had again called a Mr. [redacted] of the [redacted] and said that one of the parties that Mr. [redacted] and I had come down to see was flown to Alaska. Also he made the stat ment Mr. [redacted] would be called to Wright Field Tuesday. This anonymous caller made the statement to Mr. [redacted] that this B-25 was shot down. Mr. [redacted] asked this person calling what his interest was. This anonymous caller made a statement - "Don't thi I am doing it for the newspapers. All I am interested in is seei that this information gets back to New Jersey."

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After I finished the conversation with Mr. [redacted] I went over to the United Press and talked with Mr. [redacted] and had him read back to me the conversations that he had had with this anonymous caller. But no opinions at this time were voiced eithe by me or Mr. [redacted]

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Sunday morning I called a Major [redacted] of S-2 McChord Field and asked him to meet me at the Winthrop Hotel at 11 o'cloc I met this Major [redacted] at 11 o'clock and we drove to a small cof shop on the Tacoma Highway where this complete story was related t him by me. We then drove back to the Winthrop Hotel where Major [redacted] was introduced to Mr. [redacted] by me and again listened to Mr. [redacted] story. Mr. [redacted] and I departed from the Winthrop Hotel Sunday afternoon at approximately 4:30.

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This is to certify that the foregoing statement was tak before me, a notary public; that prior to making said statement, t witness was first sworn to tell the whole truth and nothing but t truth; that the statement was then reduced to writing and signed me on the _____ day of August, 1947.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and offi seal the day and year last above written.

Notary Public in and for the S
of Washington, residing at Sea

August 7,1947

b7C [redacted] make the following foluntary statement to SA [redacted] of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

In the early part of June 1947 we picked up some strange rock formations from a gravel pit on Maury Island, Washington. We sent a box (cigar) of these fragments to [redacted] of Venture Magazine at Evanston Illinois to have it analyzed. b7C

Later [redacted] wrote and asked for additional samples stating that he had failed to have them analyzed. b7C

Around the later part of June a few days after the first disc stories started [redacted] contacted us by phone. He told us not to tell the newspapers about the fragments and he would pay for an exclusive story if the fragments could be from a flying disc. b7C

One of us told him the fragments could have been from a flying disc.

Just after our phone conversation [redacted] wrote a letter to [redacted] setting out some notes etc. regarding the fragments and indicating they could have come from flying discs. b7C

The next thing we heard was about the first of July when we got a Trans Ocean Press telegram from Chicago asking ~~mxx~~ about these flying disc fragments. We told them to forget the entire matter. b7

The next we heard of these fragments was when we were called by [redacted] to meet with him in the Winthrop Hotel on July 31,1947 b7C

We told him exactly how we had found the fragments and had forwarded them to [redacted] to be analyzed. b7C

The above is the entire and true story as regards our connection with the flying disc stories etc. which originated over the ore samples which we sent to be analyzed.

[redacted] b7C

[redacted] b7C

F.B.I. Seattle 8/7/47.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : The Director

FROM : Mr. D. M. Ladd

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS

DATE: August 14, 1947

Mr. Tolson
Mr. E. A. Tamm
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Carson
Mr. Egan
Mr. Gurnea
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Hendon
Mr. Pennington
Mr. Quinn Tamm
Tele. Room
Mr. Nease
Miss Beahm
Miss Gandy

In connection with your request to be advised as to the facts concerning newspaper reports of flying discs in the Portland area and the reported conference of army officials in Portland concerning flying discs, the Portland Office has advised that Leaveritt G. Richards, aviation editor of the "Oregonian," has stated that Captain William L. Davidson and Lieutenant Frank M. Brown of the Fourth AAF Headquarters, San Francisco, were in Portland on July 27, 1947. While in Portland they interviewed Dick Rankin, an experienced pilot, who had reported that he observed, on June 14, a formation of ten flying discs over Bakersfield, California. Richards added that Davidson and Brown had also interviewed the following four experienced pilots who were among the first to report seeing discs, Kenneth Arnold, businessman from Boise, Idaho; Captain E. J. Smith, a co-pilot; Ralph Stevens, United Airlines and Dave Johnson, aviation editor, Idaho "Statesman." In order to determine the purpose of these interviews Richards contacted Major General Twining of Wright Field Ohio, and from him gained the impression that the AAF instituted this investigation to wash out the disc reports since they are definitely not of AAF origin.

On Friday, August 1, the plane in which AAF investigators, Captain Davidson and Lieutenant Brown, were flying, crashed at Kelso, Washington and both were killed. The wreckage was screened by AAF Intelligence from McChord Field. The "Tacoma News Tribune" and through them the United Press put out a story that the plane was carrying parts of a disc which had struck a boat owned by Harold Dahl and Fred Chrisman. It has also been inferred that this plane was sabotaged to prevent these disc parts from being examined.

STATUS

Investigation by the Bureau has reflected that this plane was definitely not carrying parts of a disc and there appears to be no substantiation of a sabotage charge.

For your further information there is attached a blind memorandum setting forth in more detail the results of our investigation surrounding the above plane crash. No further inquiry is being made in this matter.

ACTION

Air Force Intelligence has been advised of the results of our investigation.

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FLYING DISCS

The "Tacoma News Tribune" and through them the United Press put out a story that an army plane which was allegedly carrying parts of a disc which had struck a boat owned by Harold Dahl and Fred Chrisman had crashed on August 1, 1947, killing two Air Force Intelligence officers who were interviewing persons who were alleged to have seen flying discs.

[redacted] and [redacted] when interviewed by Bureau Agents, advised in a signed statement on August 7, 1947, that in the early part of June, 1947, they picked up some strange rock formations from a gravel pit on Mauri Island, Washington. They sent a cigar box of these formations to one [redacted] of the [redacted] and also [redacted] of the [redacted] in Chicago, Illinois. According to them they requested [redacted] to make only a chemical analysis of the rock formations. [redacted] then wrote asking for additional samples stating he had been unable to analyze the material. [redacted] and [redacted] remarked that a few days after the flying disc stories appeared during the latter part of June, [redacted] contacted them by telephone saying he would pay for an exclusive story if the materials they had sent him were fragments of a flying disc. [redacted] said he wrote [redacted] a letter in which he represented the material as being a part of a flying disc, and both [redacted] and [redacted] admitted that this statement was entirely false.

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[redacted] and [redacted] then received a call from one [redacted] of Boise, Idaho who requested them to meet him at the Winthrop Hotel in Tacoma on July 31, 1947. According to them [redacted] called in army intelligence officers from Hamilton Field, California and one Captain [redacted] of United Airlines of Seattle, Washington to attend this meeting. [redacted] and [redacted] maintained they told the intelligence officers Captain Davidson, Lieutenant Brown, [redacted] [redacted] and [redacted] exactly how they got the rock formations and that they had no connection with any flying discs. [redacted] and [redacted] stated that they then furnished some of the rock formation to the intelligence officers as samples.

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Captain Davidson and Lieutenant Brown left Tacoma, Washington in a B-25 to return to Hamilton Field, California about 2:30 A.M. August 1, 1947, and were killed when their plane crashed at Kelso, Washington, after the left engine burned out an exhaust stack which in turn caught the left wing on fire which caused it to break off. The crew chief and each officer parachuted to safety.

[redacted] at Tacoma advised that two or three days after the flying disc story started he contacted [redacted] to check the story

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[redacted] Harbor, Washington, to the effect that [redacted] had some flying disc fragments. At this time [redacted] admitted to [redacted] that the entire story was false. b7C

Relative to [redacted] stated that he was paid by [redacted] of the [redacted] and possibly the [redacted] to come to Tacoma and obtain a story from them regarding the flying disc fragments. b7C

On July 31 and August 1, a total of five anonymous calls were received by a [redacted] and the [redacted] at Tacoma giving information regarding the meeting at the Winthrop Hotel over the disc fragments and stating that the B-25 had been shot down or sabotaged which killed Captain Davidson and Lieutenant Brown, inferring that this was done because the intelligence officers were carrying disc fragments in their plane. b7C

[redacted] stated that these calls could only have come from themselves, [redacted] who, they stated, had a friend on the Chicago Times and was possibly selling the story to the Chicago Times through this friend. [redacted] denied making these calls. b7C

[redacted] upon interview, stated that reporter [redacted] of the Tacoma Times and [redacted] of the [redacted] in Tacoma had informed him that [redacted] had several anonymous calls and from the accuracy of the information transmitted [redacted] believes they were made by either [redacted] b7C

Mr. [illegible]
Mr. E. [illegible]
Mr. Cl[illegible]
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nich[illegible]
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Egan
Mr. Gur[illegible]
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Hohr
Mr. [illegible]
Mr. Qu[illegible] Tamm

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FBI BUTTE 8-15-47 5-45 PM [redacted] VGW

DIRECTOR, FBI URGENT

FLYING DISCS. ON INSTANT DATE [redacted] OF TWIN FALLS, IDAHO, [redacted] INFORMED LOCAL NEWSPAPER THAT COMMUNITY THAT AT ONE PM ON WEDNESDAY LAST, AUGUST THIRTEEN, HE AND TWO SONS BILLIE, AGE TEN, KEITH, APXXX AGE EIGHT, SAW AN OBJECT NINE MILES NORTHWEST OF TWIN FALLS, RESEMBLING FLYING DISC. [redacted] STATED THIS OBJECT WAS PROCEEDING FXXX DOWN SALMON RIVER AT TERRIFIC SPEED ESTIMATED BY HIM AT ONE THOUSAND MILES PER HOUR. [redacted] AND SONS DESCRIBED OBJECT TO NEWSPAPERS AS TWENTY FEET LONG, TEN FEET WIDE AND TEN FEET THICK, LIGHT SKY BLUE IN COLOR AND ALSO OBSERVED FLAMES EMANATING FROM SIDES OF OBJECT. AT TIME [redacted] AND SONS SAW OBJECT THEY ALL HEARD LOUD SWISH WHEN OBJECT DISAPPEARED FRIM SIGHT. CURRENT EFFORTS BEING MADE TC INTERVIEW [redacted] AND SONS PURSUANT TO BUREAU BULLETIN FORTY TWO, SUB DIVISION B, DATED JULY THIRTY NINETEEN FORTY SEVEN. BUREAU WILL BE PROMPTLY AND FULLY INFORMED OF ALL PERTINENT DEVELOPMENTS. [redacted]

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (172)

DATE: 7-29-47

FROM : SAC, Boston

[redacted] b7

SUBJECT: METAL FRAGMENTS OBSERVED AT WEST RINDGE, NEW HAMPSHIRE, JULY 7, 1947
SECURITY MATTER (X)

Reference is made to Boston teletype to the Bureau dated July 18, 1947.

Dean [redacted] the original informant, has advised that a spectographic examination has been completed of the metal particles referred to. They were determined to be of ordinary cast iron which had been subjected to a very high degree of heat. The heat caused scales to be formed on the cast iron which were originally thought to be of some metallic alloy. b7C

The scientist examining the particles concluded that if they had come through the air from any great altitude in as small pieces as they were found then most of the heat would have been taken from them by the time they reached the ground and fires would not have resulted. It is noted they landed approximately 700 feet from a railroad track and inquiries were conducted by MIT to determine whether or not the particles could have been originally a part of a liner in a smoke stack or some other part of the steam engine. These inquiries resulted in positive information that the particles did not come from a train or locomotive. Measurements of the four pieces examined revealed that they had most likely been originally all part of one hollow cylinder, eight inches in diameter and three sixteenths of an inch in thickness. It was felt that one piece falling from a great height would have still retained a good part of its heat and probably would have smashed when it hit the ground.

A scientist, whom [redacted] did not identify by name, recalled that cast iron cylinders of similar measurements had been used in New Mexico on research work on a guided missile project. However, this unidentified scientist did not so conclude to the exclusion of all other possibilities. b7C

CONF. INFO.

It is interesting to note that the examination at MIT was actually conducted by [redacted] who furnished the Boston Office with an informal report similar in all major details to that supplied by [redacted] above. The men at MIT are gathering through friends all additional pieces of the original cylinder available. These will be turned over to the Boston Office. No further examination is being conducted by MIT and no effort is being made to reconstruct the original cylinder. b7C

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Unless advised to the contrary by August 15, 1947 the Boston Office will destroy these specimens. In the interim they will be transmitted to the Bureau on specific Bureau instructions.

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It is noted that the original Boston teletype reflected that this inquiry was being treated as "secret" matter at MIT. [redacted] has advised that the comparatively small number of research scientists at MIT during the summer are all cognizant of the incident and the results of the research. However, no publicity has been given and it is not anticipated that any will result. The Bureau's interest is not known to the scientists at MIT. There has been no speculation that a guided missile originating in a foreign land landed in New Hampshire. b7C

As indicated above, unless the Bureau requests specifically further investigative action, this case is being closed in the Boston Office.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI
Atten: Assistant Director D. M. LADD

HMK

FROM : SAC, San Francisco

DATE: September 4, 1937

SUBJECT: REPORTS OF FLYING DISCS

AIRMAIL

Enclosed for your information are copies of two letters from Lt. Col. [redacted] of A-2, Hamilton Field, California, dated August 27, 1947, with attachments reporting the sighting of "flying discs" on Guam, and result of A-2 investigation at Tacoma and Kelso, Washington.

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Info to Major [redacted] b7c
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HEADQUARTERS FOURTH AIR FORCE
Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, A-2
Intelligence
Hamilton Field, California

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27 August 1947

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SUBJECT: Re Flying Disc.

TO: Special Agent in Charge, FBI, U. S. Department of Justice, Federal Office Building, Room 422, San Francisco, California.

1. Following is extract from the Weekly Intelligence Summary, Air Transport Command, Washington 25, D. C., dated 20 August 1947, Copy No. 120, Article 1, pg 1:

> "FLYING OBJECTS IN GUAM: Unidentified flying objects have been observed by three American enlisted men of the 147th Airways and Air Communications Service Squadron at Harmon Field, Guam. The men report that at 1040 hours on 14 August 1947 the two objects, which they describe as small, crescent shaped and traveling at a speed twice that of a fighter plane, passed over them on a zig-zag course in a westerly direction at an approximate altitude of twelve hundred feet. The objects disappeared into clouds and a few seconds later a similar object possibly one of those previously observed, emerged from the clouds and proceeded west. No further details have been reported."

2. For your information.

Donald L. Springer
DONALD L. SPRINGER
Lt. Colonel, GSC
AC of S, A-2

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HEADQUARTERS FOURTH AIR FORCE
Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, A-2
Intelligence
Hamilton Field, California

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27 August 1947

SUBJECT: Investigation of Flying Disc.

TO: Special Agent in Charge, FBI, U. S. Department of Justice, Federal Office Building, Room 422, San Francisco, California.

Attached summary forwarded for your information.

1 Incl:
Summary of Information.

DONALD L. SPRINGER
Lt. Colonel, GSC
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HEADQUARTERS [illegible] AIR FORCE
Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, A-2
Intelligence
Hamilton Field, California

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2[illegible] August 1947

SUBJECT: Investigation of Flying Disc.

TO: Special Agent in Charge, FBI, U. S. Department of Justice,
Seattle, Washington.

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AIR RESCUE SERVICE
DETACHMENT 8 (62d AAF BU)
McChord Field, Tacoma, Washington

4 August 1947

SUBJECT: Final Mission Report

TO: Commanding Officer
Air Rescue Service
MacDill Field, Florida

1. MISSION NUMBER Thirty-Nine.

2. NATURE.

a. At 0400 PST, 1 August 47, ARMY FLIGHT SERVICE notified this detachment that a plane had been seen to crash and burn thirteen (13) miles south of KELSO, Washington (46°8'N, 122°55'W).

3. ACTION TAKEN

a. 1 Aug 47. At 04:30 PST, AFS received information from Mr. O. C. Clark, local sheriff of KELSO, Wash., that the scene of the crash was fifteen (15) to twenty (20) miles east of KELSO in the vicinity of COGLE CREEK. The KELSO Chief of Police saw an aircraft fly low over the town, then crash and burn to the east. The time was about 0230 PST. A check of aircraft known to be in the vicinity revealed that B-25 #1316 had departed MCCHORD FIELD at 0212 PST for HAMILTON FIELD, California. The weather was reported as CFR. A full moon made visibility exceptionally good. The pilot's name was CAPT. K. C. DAVIDSON; the plane carried three (3) additional persons. The Base Operations Officer and Base PIO were notified. This detachment began organising a ground party of base personnel to supplement that being formed by the KELSO Chief of Police. At 0500 PST information was received from KELSO by AFS that ground fog in the valleys at the scene of the crash was preventing a ground party from locating the plane. Since no communication had been received from B-25 #1316, it was assumed that it was the plane reported as crashed. ARS C-47 was pre-flighted to transport the Army ground party to KELSO but a check of the field conditions there deemed it advisable to use a smaller aircraft. Of the two C-45s available, one belonging to AFS was unserviced after a night flight; the other, belonging to AACS, was readied even though a responsible officer of that organization was not present to authorise the flight. Fog at KELSO prevented take-off until 0700 PST. The ground party, led by CAPT. W. L. LITTRELL and CAPT. T. H. FORSBERG, consisted of six men including a medical technician and a photographer. At 0600 PST, the KELSO Chief of Police notified AFS that a passenger of the crashed airplane was in his office and had confirmed

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the belief that the crash was that of the unreported B-25. The Passenger, Sgt. E. L. TAFF, of FT. LAWTON, SEATTLE, was uninjured, but reported that the crew chief, T/Sgt. W. D. MATHEWS, was at a farm house near the scene of the crash and was injured. Sgt. TAFF then led an ambulance to Sgt. MATHEWS who was subsequently taken to a local hospital. At 0610 PST an attempt was made to telephone Sq. B at HAMILTON FIELD but no answer was received; however, it was known that HAMILTON AFS was aware of the incident and would notify Sq. B. At 0700 PST Capt. LITTRELL departed in a C-45 for KELSO. At 0745 PST Sq B was contacted by phone and given a flash report. At 0905 PST CAPT LITTRELL phoned and informed that he had placed CAPTAIN FORSBERG in charge of Army personnel proceeding to the scene of the crash. No aerial search was necessary as civilians in the area knew the exact location of the crash and had reported finding one (1) body in the wreckage. CAPT. LITTRELL prepared to fly Sgt's TAFF and MATHEWS to MCCHORD FIELD for medical attention, arriving at 0945 PST. The survivors stated that they believed neither the pilot nor co-pilot has parachuted from the plane. The cause of the incident was at this time determined to be a fire in the left engine. CAPT LITTRELL was informed by Sgt. TAFF that he believed classified documents had been aboard the plane; CAPT FORSBERG was instructed to take necessary precautions. An ambulance met the plane at MCCHORD FIELD carrying the two survivors and took them to the hospital. Interrogation revealed that the left engine had caught fire in the power section and flames and smoke had spread to the flight deck almost immediately. The crew chief, MATHEWS, assisted TAFF in attaching his chest pack and TAFF abandoned the plane at an estimated altitude of 10,000 ft (this fact is doubted but is not considered necessarily relevant). MATHEWS helped the pilot and co-pilot attach their chest packs (all personnel had been wearing the harness) and as he left the plane was aware that the co-pilot was preparing to follow. The pilot had started to leave and, to the best recollection of MATHEWS, was partially standing and holding the control wheel with his left hand. MATHEW'S statements indicate that proper emergency procedures had been performed but that the flames had enveloped the entire left side almost immediately. TAFF stated that, because of the full moon and good visibility, he saw MATHEWS leave the plane and was able to follow the plane to the ground and that he saw no one else bail out. The ship was enveloped in flames and was beginning to fall apart before hitting the ground where it exploded and burned about one (1) mile from where he, TAFF, landed. He lit in a tree, and not knowing how to release his parachute of the quick-detachable kind, cut himself loose from the harness with his pocket knife. He kicked and struggled and eventually jumped to the ground, receiving a jolt on impact but was unable to guess how far he had fallen. He then followed a cow path for an estimated two (2) miles to a farm house, arriving after MATHEWS. Meanwhile, as MATHEWS cleared the plane he turned and saw the plane strike the ground, explode and burn. Just before or just at the time of impact he saw an object afire thrown clear of the plane but did not know whether it was a person or part of the plane. MATHEWS also lit in a tree, and after freeing himself from his harness, fell to the ground where he injured his back. He lost consciousness and on recovering went to the burning plane, about fifty

(50) yards away. Flares were going off and he thought best to leave the scene. He heard a stream nearby and followed it until he came to a house and aroused the occupants. Soon TAFF arrived at the same house and, being uninjured, was driven into town. Then he led an ambulance to effect transportation of MATHEWS to a hospital. Meanwhile, civilians reached the scene of the crash where they found one body. At 0930 PST, a message from Sq B informed that top secret material was in the navigators kit and to request Commanding Officer MCCHORD FIELD to expedite all available information to Commanding Officer HAMILTON FIELD. Meanwhile, CAPT FORSBERG and four (4) enlisted men departed KELSO at 0830 PST for scene of the crash. They were transported by the WASHINGTON STATE POLICE who knew the exact location of the plane (46°09'N - 122°43'W). The ground party determined upon arrival at the scene, that two (2) bodies were in the wreckage. Indications led to the belief that the co-pilot was afire when he left the plane an instant before impact. The pilot's remains were found in the wreckage. Preliminary investigation by CAPT FORSBERG disclosed the planes left wing about one hundred twenty-five (125) yards from the widely scattered portions of the plane. The left wing was intact and had apparently torn off just outboard of the left engine before impact. The forward portion of the wing stub was melted but the rear two thirds indicated that it had ripped loose from the inboard section of the wing. The wing leading edge was undamaged. The navigation and landing lights were unbroken. The aileron was undamaged but the flap section was crushed, leading to the belief that the wing struck the tail section. From these indications it is believed the wing ripped from the airplane just after MATHEWS abandoned the plane. The resulting spin thus prevented the remaining crew members from bailing out although the co-pilot may have been in the hatch. A few civilians were in the area when CAPT FORSBERG arrived and he took precautions to prevent them from disturbing the wreckage. At 1157 PST CAPT LITTRELL flew CAPT RICE, M. C., to KELSO. An ambulance dispatched from MCCHORD FIELD, met them at KELSO, and was led to the scene of the crash by the STATE POLICE. The bodies were recovered and transported in the ambulance to MCCHORD FIELD. CAPT LITTRELL returned to MCCHORD FIELD where camping equipment was prepared to be dropped to the ground party. CAPT LITTRELL, made a successful drop at dusk by sighting on a signal fire. The ground party set up camp at the wreckage scene to act as guard and to investigate further the following day. They were relieved of responsibility of all recovered documents by a CIC agent who had arrived about 1800 PST.

b. 2 Aug 47. The ground party remained at the scene of the crash pending official securing of the incident. No aerial activity.

c. 3 Aug 47. MCCHORD FIELD Operations Officer departed at 1000 PST to investigate the accident and to relieve CAPT FORSBERG, who returned at 1600 PST. Incident closed.

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C O P Y

Subject: Final Mission Report 4 August 1947

5. STATISTICAL SUMMARY

a. GROUND ACTIVITY

(1) Total man hours by ARS Personnel in field 72

(2) Total man hours by other Army Personnel (estimate) 300

(3) Total man hours by civilian personnel (est) 150

(4) No. of miles driven by Army Vehicles 500

b. AERIAL ACTIVITY

(1) Total No. of sorties flown 3

(2) Total hours flown by Army aircraft 6

c. LOCAL PURCHASES

(1) None

6. COMMENTS

a. Cooperation received from all civilian agencies concerned was complete and excellent.

7. RECOMMENDATIONS

a. None.

ROBERT H. MASONHEIMER
Captain, Air Corps
Commanding Officer

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HEADQUARTERS FOURTH AIR FORCE
Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, A-2
Intelligence
Hamilton Field, California

TITLE Investigation of Flying Disc

INVESTIGATION MADE AT Tacoma and Kelso, Washington

CONTROLLING OFFICE Air Defense Command, Mitchel Field

FILE NO. 4AF-1206-I

PERIOD COVERED 31 July through 7 August 1947

CASE CLASSIFICATION Incident

DATE 12 August 1947

STATUS OF CASE Pending

REASON FOR INVESTIGATION: Investigation initiated at the request of Air Defense Command, reference ltr Hq ADC, dtd 7 Jul 47, file DE33.5ID, subj: Investigation of Flying Disc.

SYNOPSIS:

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On 31 July 47, [redacted] of the Idaho Daily Statesman, telephoned Lt. Brown requesting he return to Tacoma because [redacted] believed he had some very vital information on the flying disc. b6 b6

Lt. Brown and Capt. Davidson interviewed a [redacted] [redacted] along with [redacted] of the United Air lines, and [redacted] at the Winthrop Hotel in Tacoma, Washington, on the night of 31 July 1947.

The summary of their interrogation and findings was related to Major Sander, Public Information Officer, McChord Field, by [redacted] Smith. Major Sander retold the results of the investigation to this officer from his notes. b6

[redacted] b6 were not available for interview while this officer was in that area, although every effort was made to contact them.

Further investigation of this particular incident was left with Mr. Brady, Resident Agent, FBI, Tacoma, Washington.

It was apparent from newspaper clippings, telephone calls to this officer, and conversations with Major Sander, that a United Press correspondent, of the Tacoma Times, was instrumental in keeping this case alive. This officer and Major Sander, although quoted many times in the press, did not discuss this matter with the press during the period of this report.

The anonymous mystery caller in Tacoma would possibly be [redacted] b6

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Donald L. Springer
DONALD L. SPRINGER, Lt. Colonel, GSC
AC of S, A-2

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EX-15 REF

[redacted]

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE
AUG 30 1947
SAN FRANCISCO
ROUTED TO

W. D., P. M. G. Form No. 110
1 April 1946
(This form supersedes W. D., C. C. & Form No. [illegible] which will not be used upon receipt of this revision)

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DETAILS:

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1. During the afternoon of 31 July 47, [redacted] of the Idaho Daily Statesman, telephoned Lt Brown, CIC Sub-Detachment Commander at Headquarters Fourth Air Force, and stated in substance: That he, Arnold, and Capt Smith had arrived in Tacoma to investigate the purported flying disc explosion on a surface craft on 21 June 47. This investigation was requested and financed by a Mr. [redacted] Illinois. b6

AGENT'S NOTE: See Inclosure 1 and Inclosure 2. The signature to Inclosure 2, Mr. [redacted] is that of the [redacted] is a former Army Air Force officer and from all indications is a very patriotic American. On the receipt of Inclosure 2 at Headquarters Fourth Air Force, this officer requested the San Francisco FBI Office to check the Chicago FBI Office for [redacted] and the Venture Press. The return answer, by telephone, was to the effect that the Chicago indices of the FBI, the Chicago Police, and Credit Bureau had no record on [redacted] or the Venture Press. b6 b6

2. Lt Brown and Capt Davidson arrived at McChord Field during the afternoon of 31 July 47. They changed from their uniforms to civilian clothing in the aircraft and, on being queried by Operations as to why they desired transportation to Tacoma, they replied they were to make a speech.

AGENT'S NOTE: This was in compliance with par 4, ltr Cr Hq ADC, File D333.5ID, 7 Jul 47, subj: Investigation of Flying Disc.

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According to Major George Sander, Public Information Officer, McChord Field, the Tacoma Times received an anonymous telephone call that [redacted] were present in the Winthrop Hotel for the purpose of conducting an investigation on the flying disc. The Tacoma Times checked and found this to be true, much to [redacted] surprise. Lt Brown and Capt Davidson did interview [redacted] in a hotel room in the Winthrop Hotel, Tacoma, Wash., in the presence of [redacted] If notes were taken of this conversation, they were destroyed in the aircraft accident. [redacted] stated to Major Sander that Lt Brown obtained from [redacted] samples of an unidentified substance that were identical to those appearing in Inclosures 3 to 7. The samples pictured in Inclosures 3 to 7 were taken by [redacted] from the same box that [redacted] offered Lt. Brown and from which he obtained his samples. [redacted] on the crashed aircraft, upon being interrogated by this officer, stated that he placed a heavy cardboard carton in the rear compartment of the B-25 that crashed. He did not look in the box nor hear any comments from Lt Brown or Capt Davidson as to its contents. b6

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3. The following summarizes what was related by [redacted] to Major Sander as to the substance of the interrogation by Lt Brown and Capt Davidson: That on 21 Jun 47 [redacted] was proceeding south of Maury Island in [redacted] boat. Five flying discs came down out of the clouds and circled slowly around the bay, dropping to an estimated elevation of 500 feet. These discs appeared round and

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flattened similar to a deflated automobile innertube. They were judged by [redacted] to be approximately 100 feet across with a 25 foot opening in the center. The outer edge of the object had round portholes and the inner ring had square windows or portholes. The discs were silent and from his viewpoint he could see no means of propulsion. One of these discs appeared to falter and waver in the air, another of these aforementioned five discs dropped down close to the disc that appeared to waver and bumped it, dumping "tons" of the stuff as pictured in inclosure 3 to 7, on his boat, knocking off the handrail, horn, and generally damaging the boat to the extent of $200.00, and killing [redacted] dog. b6

AGENT'S NOTE: This officer, in the company of Major Sander, boarded the aforementioned boat where it was docked in the Tacoma harbor on 6 Aug 47. A hand rail was missing, but the area where the hand rail was previously fastened had been painted over with several coats of paint and was cracked by the weather. The deck and roof of the cabin was of a very thin construction and the cabin further had glass on the front and sides. It is this officer's opinion that if any of the objects presented by [redacted] as samples of the material dropped by the flying disc had hit this boat, it would have certainly been necessary to replace the foredeck and the cabin roof. These two areas were very heavily coated with several coats of paint and had deep weather cracks that would take several seasons to acquire.

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[redacted] who owns the boat and operates a [redacted] evidently visited the area at Maury Island to check [redacted] story. He is supposed to have stated that he found the material that he presented to Lt Brown and Capt Davidson in a sand pit near where the incident was supposed to have occurred. While he, [redacted], was at the scene of the incident, a flying disc came out of the clouds and behaved in a similar manner as the ones previously described.

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AGENT'S NOTE: The witnessing on two occasions, in broad daylight, of an object so large and clearly visible within several miles of the city of Tacoma certainly should have been seen and reported on by other than [redacted] A check was made of the newspapers on and after 21 June and no mention could be found of a mysterious object appearing over the Tacoma harbor. b6

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[redacted] is supposed to have sent samples of the objects that he picked up in the Maury Island sand pit to a friend of his at the University of Chicago for an analysis report. He is reported to have not received the analysis report.

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AGENT'S NOTE: It is possible that the [redacted] reference Inclosure 1 and 2, might have come across this incident through the University of Chicago.

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The interrogation of [redacted] by Lt Brown was completed about midnight on 31 July/1 August. Lt Brown and Capt Davidson returned to McChord Field and prepared for a night flight to Hamilton Field. The weather was clear with a bright moon shining. They departed approximately 0200 hours and crashed at approximately [illegible] hours on 1 August 1947. (See Inclosure 8).

4. On 6 August 47, this officer, in the company of Major Sander, McChord Field, and Mr. Brady, resident agent, Tacoma Federal Bureau of Investigation, attempted to

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contact either [redacted], without success. [redacted] departed the Tacoma area on 3 August 47, therefore, this officer did not have the opportunity of conversing with them directly.

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AGENT'S NOTE: A record check was made by telephone by Mr. Brady with the Seattle Field Office, FBI, for records on [redacted] The check on Mr. Crisman was negative. The Seattle FBI indices indicated that a Harold Dahl had been charged with two incidents of illegal wearing of the uniform and one with theft of national property. It could not be determined at the time whether Harold A. Dahl, the subject in question, and Harold Dahl of the FBI indices, was one and the same.

5. [redacted] had indicated to [redacted] et al, that he was a former fighter pilot and held commission as Captain in the Air Reserve. b6

AGENT'S NOTE: On 8 August 47, this officer checked the records of the 405th AAF BU(RT) and determined that [redacted] was registered with that Reserve Unit as Captain, [redacted] with residence at [redacted] Tacoma, Washington, Primary MOS 1051 and 1055. In 1942 he was with the Criminal Investigation Division, State of Washington, and previously had been an oil technician with the Union Pacific Railway. [redacted] entered the service in 1942 as an enlisted man and served as such for seventeen months. In 1943 he was commissioned on graduation from flying school and served a total of twenty-nine months. A check of the Tacoma city directory was made on [redacted] which indicated his home was at [redacted], telephone: [redacted]. Business address was listed as [redacted] telephone: [redacted] b6

RECOMMENDATION:

1. That no further investigation be undertaken on this specific incident by Army Air Force personnel.

2. That in view of the reported statements by Mr. Crisman, that consideration be given to revoke his Air Reserve commission and flying status as an undesirable and unreliable officer.

8 Incls:
1. Photostat, ltr fr [redacted] b6
2. Photostat, telegram fr [redacted]
3. to 7. Photographs, Unidentified Substance.
8. Final Mission Report, Air Rescue Service.

[redacted]

VENTURE PRESS
EVANSTON, ILLINOIS

July 22, 1947

[redacted]
Boise, Idaho

Dear Mr. [redacted]

Quite obviously you have been ribbed so much you'd like to forget the flying saucers--but I'd sure like to have your personal story, your photo, pic of your plane, etc. as I asked before. And you won't be made to look silly, because there's more to this than the newspapers and the "experts" have made of it.

Besides the article, I have another proposition. You seem to get around quite a bit, and if you can make a trip to Tacoma, Washington at all feasible, I'd be willing to pay expenses plus a nice amount to make it worth your while.

I'd want you to see [redacted], Fern Hill Station, Tacoma, and [redacted], owner of the [redacted] and two other seamen, on a patrol near Murry Island, off Tacoma, saw six discs, one in trouble, witnessed an explosion, saw falling stuff which smashed their wheelhouse and searchlight and landed on the beach. They sent me samples which Chicago U has failed to analyze. I want a picture of the beach and the stuff that landed there (about twenty tons, they said). And I want somebody who'll get the truth, to find out if these boys are on the up and up. You could do that. I hope you will. If agreeable, please write and perhaps we can talk business. I think you'd like to prove this thing too!

Anyway, I still want that article!

Sincerely yours,

[redacted]

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LT FRANK M BROWN, A-2 (RPT A-2)
OFFICE 4TH AIRFORCE HAMILTON FIELD CALIF.

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[redacted]. SENT ARNOLD $200 TO GO TO TACOMA TO INVESTIGATE FLYING DISC REPORT THERE. SUGGEST THIS OUT OF LINE FOR PRESENT PUBLIC INTEREST IN STORY AND BELIEVE AS I SUGGESTED ON YOUR VISIT HERE VENTURE PRESS SHOULD BE CHECKED

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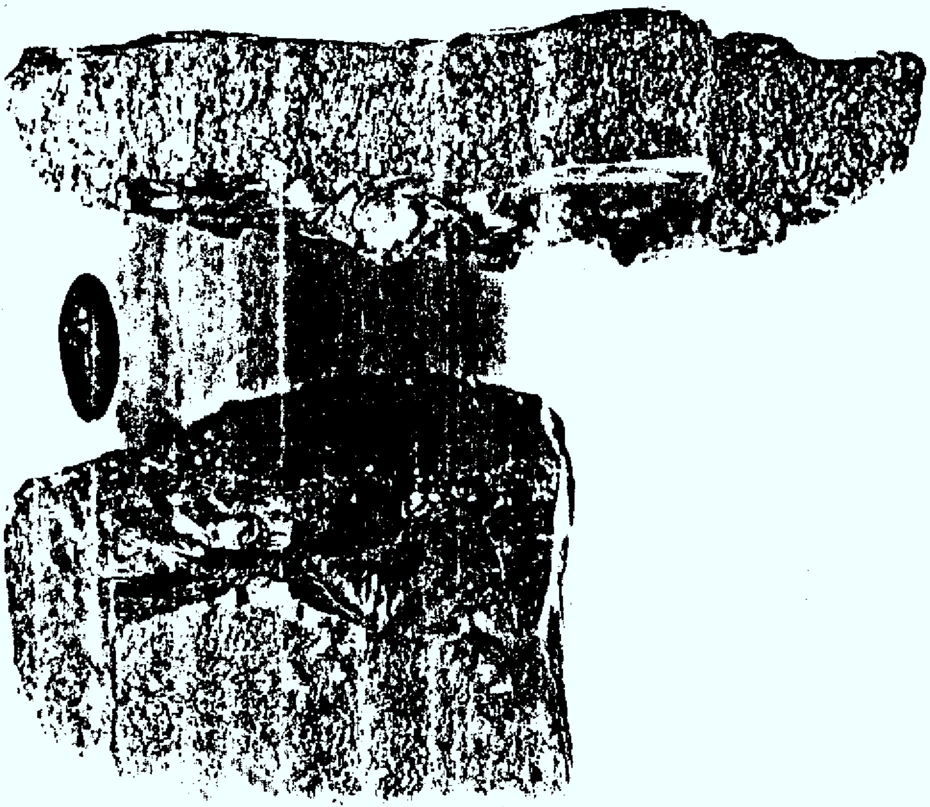

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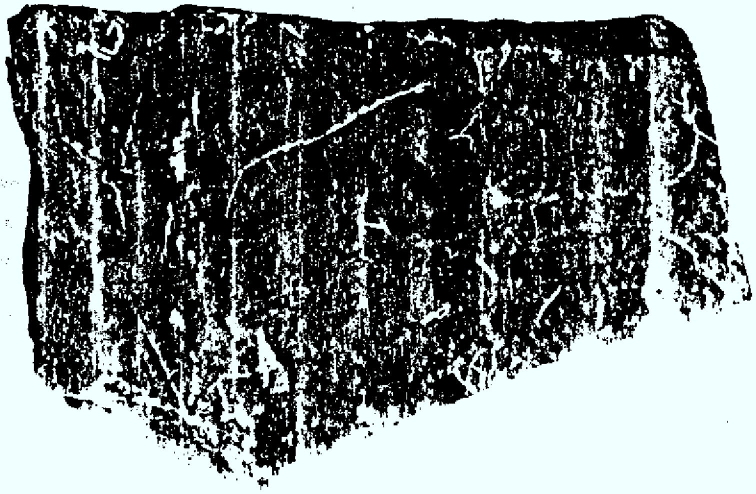

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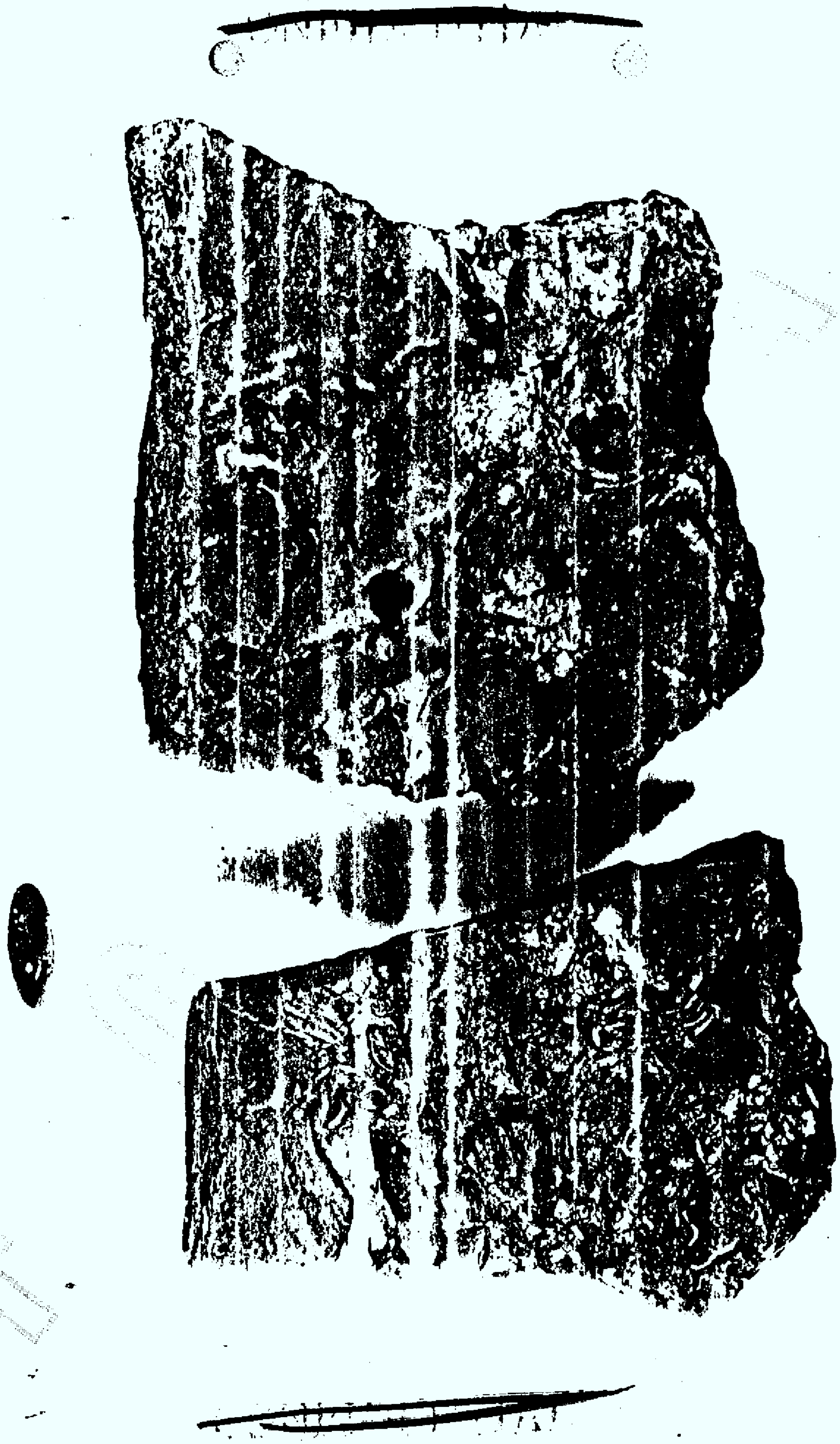

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memo dum • UNITED ST OVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

FROM : SAC, San Francisco

SUBJECT: REPORTS OF FLYING DISCS

DATE: September 4, 1947

AIRMAIL
SPECIAL DELIVERY

Enclosed is a copy of a letter dated August 25, 1947, with attachment from Lt. Col. [redacted] of A-2, Hamilton Field, California. Even though Col. [redacted] feels that Mr. [redacted] may have read some of his claims in a newspaper, Col. [redacted] believes that Mr. [redacted] should be interviewed in this matter. b7C

In accordance with Bureau Bulletin No. 42, dated July 30, 1947, Portland is requested to exhaustively interview Mr. [redacted] Portland, Oregon, regarding his alleged sighting of a "flying disc" on June 24, 1947. Copies of the result of this interview should be furnished the San Francisco Field Office for distribution to the 6th Army Intelligence. b7C

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cc Portland (Encls. 4) - AMSD

Info to Major [redacted] - MID b7C

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PORTLAND, OREGON, August 20th 1947

Lt. Col. Donald L. Springer, Assistant Staff

Sir. Saw in the portland paper a short time ago in regards to an article in regards to the so called flying disc having any basis of fact. I can say am a [redacted] and was in the Mt Adams district on June 24th the day [redacted] of Boise Idaho claims he saw a formation of flying disc. And I saw the same flying objects at about the same time. Having a telescope with me at the time i can asure you they are real and noting like them I ever saw before they did not pass verry high over where I was standing at the the time, plobly 1000 ft. they were Round about 30 foot in dimater tapering sharply to a point in the head end in an oval shape. with a bright top surface. I did not hear any noise as you would from a plane. But there was an object in the tail end looked like a big hand of a clock shifting from side to side like a big magenet. There speed as far as i know seemed to be greater than anything I ever saw. Last voiw I got of the objects they were standing on edge Banking in a Cloud.

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Yours Respectfully

/s/ [redacted] b6

A TRUE COPY:

DONALD L. SPRINGER
Lt. Colonel, GSC,
AC of S, A-2

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HEADQUARTERS FOURTH AIR FORCE
Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, A-2
Intelligence
Hamilton Field, California

4[illegible]FDA

25 August 1947

SUBJECT: Flying Discs

TO: Special Agent in Charge, FBI, U. S. Department of Justice,
Federal Office Building, Room 422, San Francisco, Calif.

1. The attached true copy of a letter from [redacted] b6 was received by this officer 2[illegible] August 1947.

2. Your attention is invited to the similarity between [redacted] b6 early report and this gentleman's report. A possibility exists that b6 [redacted] might have read some of this in the newspapers when [redacted] was publicized re this matter.

3. This headquarters does not intend to investigate this incident. It is requested that a result of any interview you may make be furnished this headquarters.

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DONALD L. SPRINGER
Lt. Colonel, GSC
AC of S, A-2

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SECTION 4

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TO : THE DIRECTOR

FROM : D. M. LADD

SUBJECT:

Mr. Tolson
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Mr. Ladd
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Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Egan
Mr. Gurnea
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Mohr
Mr. Pennington
Mr. Quinn Tamm
Tele. Room
Mr. Nease
Miss Holmes
Miss Gandy

You will recall that Mr. [redacted] advised the Bureau of a letter which Walter Winchell had received from an individual in Los Angeles indicating that he had seen a flying saucer leave the ground within his view and in which letter he theorized that this might have been a landing from another planet. b7C

The Los Angeles Office was requested to locate and interview the writer of this letter, [redacted], [redacted] Street, Los Angeles 7, California. b7C

The Los Angeles Office has now advised that the [redacted] have no knowledge of any [redacted] and that other investigation to locate [redacted] was unproductive. It would appear, therefore, that this may have been a prank. b7C

You may desire to advise Mr. [redacted] that there is no such person at the address given inasmuch as he indicated that Mr. Winchell intended to do a column on this letter. b7C

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This was handled by letter to [redacted] b7C

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d Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
[illegible]

June 8, 1949

Director, FBI

RE: FLYING DISCS

Dear Sir:

Refer Phoenix letter to Bureau, dated September 9, 1947, captioned, REPORTS OF FLYING DISCS, for the attention of Assistant Director D. M. LADD, setting forth the result of an interview conducted by [redacted], then a representative of the Air Force Intelligence, from Hamilton Field, California, and Special Agent [redacted] with one [redacted] Phoenix, Arizona, concerning his observation and photographing of an object which was considered by the Air Force of significance from a security standpoint.

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On June 7, 1949, Mr [redacted] OSI representative, Phoenix, Arizona, called at this office, advising that he had been requested by his superiors in San Francisco to obtain detailed information concerning this interview since [redacted] apparently has requested the Air Force to return the photographs.

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[redacted] when questioned by his superiors concerning the matter, stated his recollection was "hazy" on the matter. OSI is anxious to secure the substance of information in the Phoenix file concerning this matter. Mr [redacted] was furnished the substance of the interview, as set forth in letter of reference and he has now requested that he be furnished with a blind memorandum setting forth this information in detail in order that he may make it available to the OSI at San Francisco.

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A memorandum setting forth this information has been prepared by this office and is attached hereto. The Bureau is requested to advise if such memorandum should be made available to OSI.

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Very truly yours

W A Murphy

W. A. MURPHY
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AIR MAIL

JUL 29 1949

SAC, Phoenix   June 30, 1949

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INFORMATION CONCERNING

FLYING DISCS

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Reurlet June 8, 1949, captioned "Flying Discs."

It is believed that the reference appearing in the first line of your referenced letter to the Bureau is incorrect. Complete details concerning the matter referred to in your referenced communication appear in a letter from your office dated September 4, 1947, and not September 9, 1947.

Pursuant to your request, you are granted authority to furnish the attached blind memorandum, which was forwarded to the Bureau with your referenced letter for approval, to Mr. [redacted], OSI representative, Phoenix, Arizona. b7C

Attachment

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : [redacted]

FROM : [redacted] b7C

SUBJECT: [redacted]
INFORMATION CONCERNING
FLYING DISCS

DATE: June 30, 1949

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Purpose

Your approval is requested in order that the attached letter and memorandum can be forwarded to the Phoenix Office, authorizing that office to furnish the attached memorandum to Mr. [redacted] OSI representative, Phoenix, Arizona. b7C

Background

In July 1947, [redacted] was jointly interviewed by Special Agent [redacted] (Bureau Agent) and [redacted], A-2 representative from Hamilton Field, California. The purpose of the interview was to secure from Mr. [redacted] information and photographs of a flying disc, which had been sighted and photographed by Rhodes. b7C

The complete results of the interview and subsequent events are contained in the attached memorandum submitted by the Phoenix Office.

Mr. [redacted] OSI representative at Phoenix, Arizona, has requested the Phoenix Office to furnish him complete facts relating to this interview, which are to be subsequently forwarded to the OSI Office at San Francisco. According to [redacted] Mr. [redacted] referred to above, has been questioned concerning this matter by his superiors and he has advised them that his recollection is "hazy" on the matter. According to [redacted] has apparently now requested the Air Force to return the photographs, which were previously obtained from him. b7

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Phoenix Office be advised that the memorandum attached may be forwarded by them to Mr. [redacted] OSI representative, Phoenix, Arizona. b7C

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI DATE: July 21, 1949

FROM : SAC, NEW ORLEANS

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS AND SAUCERS
MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING

For the Bureau's information, several citizens in the community of Alexandria, Louisiana, have recently reportedly seen flying discs. The Alexandria, Louisiana daily paper has carried numerous articles concerning this.

At a recent meeting of the Young Mens Business Club in Alexandria, a member suggested that since Alexandria, Louisiana is known as a convention city, the club should try promoting a convention of flying saucer seers. This particular comment appeared in the Alexandria paper and was picked up by the AP lines.

Mr. [redacted] a member of the Young Mens Business Club, advised Special Agent [redacted] that since the AP release, they have received a large number of requests regarding the convention of flying saucer seers from many parts of the United States. Mr. [redacted] states that the interest of the people is evidenced by their inquiries about convention particulars, stating they are flying saucer seers and want to attend such a convention.

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This gentleman further advised that in view of the volume of inquiries coming in, it appears that the YMBC will have to hire an employee to handle all the correspondence. It might be noted that he advised a representative of the Air Force from Barksdale Field, Louisiana, has inquired as to plans of a flying saucer convention, stating that they are interested in furnishing an observer if such a convention were held.

This information is being furnished the Bureau, as it is possible such an enterprise may cause people to falsify that they have seen flying discs or flying saucers. Such falsifications might be made so that they might attend such a convention or become official delegates thereto.

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FLYING DISCS, INFORMATION CONCERNING. WHILE ON VACATION RECENTLY AT LAKE OF THE WOODS, NEAR KENORA, ONTARIO, CANADA, SA [redacted] [redacted] OBSERVED UNCONVENTIONAL AIRCRAFT RESEMBLING FLYING DISC. b7c HE HAS FURNISHED FULL INFORMATION CONCERNING SAME TO U.S. AIR FORCE INTELLIGENCE, FORT CROCK, NEBRASKA, AND SAME WILL NOT BE REPORTED TO THE BUREAU UNLESS ADVISED TO THE CONTRARY.

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Form No. 1
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA FILE NO. 62-2542 VFH

REPORT MADE AT	DATE WHEN MADE	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE	REPORT MADE BY
PHILADELPHIA, PA.	6-15-49	5-20-49	[redacted] b7c

TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT; FIRE, SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA, UNKNOWN DATE [redacted] COMPLAINANT b7c	CHARACTER OF CASE MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: [redacted] submitted ash residue to Fire Marshal's Office, Philadelphia, Pa., which made chemical analysis. [redacted] of b7c opinion that fire may have been caused by military flare or "flying saucer".

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DETAILS: This investigation is predicated upon a letter received from the office of the [redacted] Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, dated May 19, 1949, b7c advising that ashes had been received from one [redacted], purportedly from a fire which had continued to burn for twelve hours. A chemical analysis of the ashes had been requested. The [redacted] Office noted that [redacted] had at one time worked for the Atomic Energy Commission.

[redacted] advised that there had been received through the mail on April 21, 1949, an ash sample with a request for analysis. In the letter of transmittal, [redacted] had pointed out that the fire had continued to burn twelve hours after water had first been applied. The original letter of transmittal was examined and reflected that an object had entered the roof of the building, caused an explosion, and threw people out of bed. b7c

[redacted] said he attempted to locate [redacted] at his residence [redacted], but had beed unsuccessful. He added that at the time [redacted] had commented that [redacted] had been employed by the Atomic Energy Commission. [redacted] was then requested by letter to appear at the [redacted] b7c

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: L. V. Boardman SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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[redacted] advised that he had interviewed [redacted] at the time he came to the office since [redacted] was absent at the time. He said that he then learned for the first time that the fire in question had taken place near Scranton, Pennsylvania, and had occurred about six months previously. This caused the [redacted] to withdraw from the case on a question of jurisdiction and [redacted] was advised that any further action on his part should be referred to the State Police authorities. b7C

At the same time, [redacted] furnished [redacted] with the results of the analysis which had been made of the ash submitted, and which analysis had been made by [redacted], Chemical Laboratory, Room 875, City Hall. This report reflected that the ash contained Magnesium, Aluminum, Iron, and Calcium in the form of silicates, sulphur and carbonates. b7C

[redacted] was interviewed at his place of business, the [redacted] Broad Street and Girard Avenue, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. At this time he advised that he had received the sample of ash from a friend, [redacted], Wayne County, Pennsylvania, through the mail. He said that Lake Ariel is about one mile south of South Canaan, near Scranton, Pennsylvania. He stated that [redacted] house had burned about six months ago, that the fire had occurred at night during a storm and that a large object had struck the roof and ignited the house which had burned to the ground in less than an hour. b7C

He said that he had not been present during the fire but that these details had been furnished by letter from [redacted] at the time a sample of the ash was forwarded for analysis. He said that he was of the personal opinion that the ash might be a part of a military flare or a "flying saucer". b7C

He pointed out that he has been advised by associates in the engineering field that one of the characteristics of some types of flares is the fact that they burn for a considerable period. He stated that the mass of the ash residue had remained ignited for a period of twelve hours. He also stated that he did not think there had been an explosion but that a loud noise had probably been caused by the vacuum created as the missile or object struck the roof. He added that there remains a quantity of the ash, amounting to one bushel, at [redacted] premises at Lake Ariel. b7C [redacted] advised that he had been employed by the Atomic Energy Commission at Oak Ridge until 1943. He was entirely rational. He discounted the theory that a portion of a meteor had struck the house on the basis of the chemical analysis made by the City Chemical Laboratory. b7C

[redacted] advised that at the suggestion of the City authorities, he had written to [redacted] and suggested that any further inquiries be directed to the State Police. b7C

The file of the Philadelphia Office reflect that the records of Immigration and Naturalization Service were negative to an inquiry concerning [redacted], OEM [redacted]. The files of this office likewise reflect that [redacted] by letter received August 14, 1947, requested of this office the identity of a powder or dust used to catch thieves. b7C

Inasmuch as there is no violation indicated within the Bureau's jurisdiction, there is no further investigation being conducted in this matter. However, the ash residue obtained from the [redacted] is being forwarded to the Bureau Laboratory for any interest or study the Laboratory may desire to conduct relative to flares or in connection with the possibility of the presence of "flying saucers". b7C

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[redacted] b7c
Nobleboro, Maine

Dear [redacted] b7c

Your letter postmarked May 16, 1949, has been received and I want to thank you for sending me information concerning the matter you mentioned. It was indeed very thoughtful of you to report that data to this organization.

Sincerely yours,

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John Edgar Hoover
Director

NOTE: Correspondent saw a small object in the sky near the end of the day which took various shapes and through glasses appeared like a double bloom trailing something below it. She belives it might be a flying disk. In view of her nebulous information and as it was very possibly a weather balloon no further action is deemed necessary.

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Dear Sirs:

We live in Maine in the town of Nobleboro, about a mile northwest of route no 1, on Damariscotta Pond. Yesterday May 14, there was a high light ~~fog~~ mist and a shower in the afternoon but it cleared off for sunset. There was a moderate southwest breeze at 7:45 P.M. and the streaks of clouds on the horizon, especially to the east were rosy.

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to glance at the zenith which was clear and was surprised to see a small object bright in the sunset. It might have been half of the smallest of clouds but its shape was angular, more like a piece of torn paper. This shape changed as the object floated north easterly before the wind; sometimes it appeared to have a bite taken out of it, several times it reminded me of a hand. I called my husband and sister and later our housekeeper and a friend of hers.

As the object grew smaller it seemed to be on fire, an

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NOBLEBORO, MAINE b7c

effect we supposed of the sunset; it seemed to keep the same altitude but became small and dark, a line, perpendicular to the earth, always revolving but never losing its perpendicular position. With bird glasses it appeared in shape like a double balloon, trailing something below it. The lower balloon "or body" seemed a little larger. My sister whose eyesight is remarkably good, said that both balloons appeared to her pear-shaped and the trailing object below seemed separated into two "legs" with heavier "feet" at their ends so that it somewhat presented the appearance of a armless marionette, constantly whirling. To me, with the glasses, the middle appeared sometimes bean shaped but that may well be a defect in my eyesight, as the object was then very distant.

At last it disappeared from sight entirely. As we had no guess at its altitude we could not guess its size although I would hazard the statement that it seemed at about the usual altitude of passing planes and seemed to fade away much as a plane would, but far more slowly. We must have seen it for ten

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minutes, though we did not look at our watches until it was gone. It was then a few minutes before eight.

There was no audible sound.

We of course call it our flying saucer, but it was never oval, and never fast-moving and never appeared to be about to come down anywhere. We suppose it to have been some sort of weather balloon, but as we understand that you wish reports on them, here is this.

Yours sincerely,

[redacted] b7c

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 5-17-49

FROM : SAC, RICHMOND

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SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS SIGHTED AT RADFORD, VIRGINIA MAY 12, 1949

G I.R.-8

There are enclosed ~~two~~ clippings concerning what has been described as a flying disc sighted at Radford, Virginia on May 12, 1949. The Bureau may desire to refer this to the Department of the Air Force. This office has no information other than that appearing in the news items which appear to cover the best information available. The matter was not reported directly to this office and, therefore, no investigation or inquiries are being made and none of the individuals who allegedly saw the thing have been interviewed.

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Lynchburg Advance
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These Flying Discs Are at It Again, Virginians Report

Zounds! Here we go again! Interplanetory space-ship? Visitor from Mars? A new Russian rocket ship? Airgoing submarine? Just take your choice, your guess is every bit as good as the next one according to reports from various sections of Virginia and Tennessee on last night's strange phenomenon.

What it was, where it came from and where it was going, no one knows, but even Civil Aeronautics Administration officials were puzzled and had no answer.

Whatever the thing was, it resembled a long cigar, with a bright red nose and trailing smoke. Reports coinciding with that description came from localities along an almost direct line through Tennessee and Virginia and seemed sufficient to convince even the most skeptical that what the callers said they had seen was no figment of imagination.

The descriptions generally indicated the object came over the southwest horizon and resembled a streak of fire. There seemed to be red lights or a powerful red glow in the nose of the object. Far back at the tail there was fire and smoke.

The first report came from Roanoke about 8 o'clock when J. S. Mays and W. F. Mullins, both of that city, said they noticed the object.

"It looked like a streak of fire," said Mays, "and appeared to be going almost straight up and was stepping on it."

Suddenly, he said, it appeared to level off and head eastward, resembling "a snake wiggling on water."

Other reports followed from Kingsport, Tenn., Bristol, Pulaski, Christiansburg and points west of Roanoke.

William C. Flanik, chief aircraft communicator, CAA, at Preston Glenn airport, said none of the Lynchburg tower men had sighted any unusual objects in the sky.

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Radford News Journal
Radford Va.
5/13/49

Did You See It? Well, What Was It?

By WELLS CALDWELL

The strange object seen travel-g across the heavens just after ndown last night has caused idespread speculation here in adford as well as in other sec-ons of Southwestern Virginia l Eastern Tennessee.

Exactly what the mysterious aveler was, no one here seems know, and the number of con-ting reports have only added the confusion.

This much seems to be cer-n: the object appeared over e Southwest horizion shortly fore 8 p. m. and was moving stward. Also, it was black, or least part of it was.

A Radford man, living in the st end section, asked that his me not be used, but give this rsion:

I was working in the yard hen I glanced up and saw a ng black thing flying across e sky. It came from the direc-on of Pulaski. It looked a eat deal like a rounded stick wood which was burning in front. The object was trailed by either vapor or smoke and faded from view when it seemed to be directly overhead."

Mrs. Alfred Tolley, of 1702 Seventh Street, west, reported her 12-year-old son, Albert, was playing next door and noticed the object. She said her son had been studying comets in school and called her attention to the phenomenon, thinking that it was either a comet or a meteor.

"The strange looking object", she said "was long and black with a light on the front end. It seemed to follow the air route from the directon of Pulaski, later turning and heading toward Blacksburg. There was a light on the front end and great long streaks of fire. We saw it for about 10 minutes."

Miss Joe Stewart, of the Radford College biology department, said she saw the object and assumed it was the exhaust from an airplane. She added that she was "in no way alarmed."

Fred W. Hurt, of Fourth and Harvey Streets, gave this version: "At the first appearance it looked like a comet. I recall Halley's comet and it resembled that. There was, at first, a bright spot ahead of the stream of fire, but the trail didn't look so bright when the object reached its zenith.

"It appeared to be moving slowly at first and later very fast, which indicates that it was quite a distance away when I first saw it. The object seemed to follow a straight path, however it vêered a little once — in sort of an arc — and then straighted out agin. I heard no noise."

Mrs. James D. Heinline, of 60 Jackson Street, Monroe Terrace, said she and her husband watched it with some neighbors.

"It looked like a long black cigar which was on fire", she stated. "We heard a faint sound, which might have been a small motor. At times it looked like an airplane 'way, 'way off. I thought at first it might be a comet or a meteor, but it seemed to be traveling too slowly that. It appeared in the sou west and traveled toward east. There was a kind of re dish looking smoke about it."

Miss Dody Jones, of Harv Street, reported watching phenomenom with a group children in the neighborho She said it looked like "what think a comet would look lik

"It was a red flare", she co tinued, "which was light on front. It moved slowly fr the Southwest and traveled wh seemed to be straight up. curved toward the east and fire streaks trailing it got long as they began to fade out."

L. B. Graybeal, of Christiar burg, a former Air Force pil estimated the altitude of object at 6,000 feet. He sa there was a light from the obj as it passed over and a "roari sound."

Other reports have been ceived from as far West as King port, Tenn., and as far East Bedford.

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Remember Flying Saucers? Well Looks Like Flying Seegars Now

Flying saucers are passe.

Now people in Bristol are seeing "long, cigar-shaped object" flashing across the sky.

But Bristolians were not the only spectators of the strange craft yesterday evening.

The flaming object was reported sighted at Kingsport, Christiansburg and Roanoke and three at Pulaski.

Rex Rainey, 1805 State Street, reported that he saw a "whitish, glistening mass, long and cylindrical like a big cigar," flying from east to west about 7:15 yesterday. He said he sighted the "cigar" flying very rapidly over Virginia Heights and got out his binoculars to look at it.

An unidentified caller informed the Herald Courier last night that she had sighted something that "looked like white smoke with a blue flame that traveled to the north and east" about the same time. "It didn't look like an airplane," she said, "only like white smoke. It was just a streak and almost out of sight it was so high."

Another local woman reported that she had seen a "silver streak that looked like it was about 100 feet long" flash across the sky shortly after seven o'clock. She estimated the speed at about 200 miles per hour.

A traffic controlman at Tri-Cities Airport, who asked that his name be withheld, said that the strange craft had not been seen at the airport although they had had inquires on the "cigar-streak."

He said he had checked with the Atlanta Air Route traffic control center after receiving inquiries but they reported no knowledge of any jet aircraft in this vicinity.

He speculated that the streaks may have been caused by a jet-propelled plane or planes. "The objects were reported flying at an altitude of 30,000 feet," he said. "If a jet plane were flying that high, it would be moving so fast the vapor trail would be about all a person on the ground could see."

The controlman said that the Pulaski radio reported two seen there. One about 4 p. m., and the other an hour later. He said that Pulaski also had a pilot's report of the "streak" traveling northeast at an altitude of about 30,000 feet.

Reports on the "flaming object" were received at Christiansburg and Roanoke but airports in those vicinities reported no information on the strange craft.

"Bristol Herald Courier
Bristol, Va
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To Hoover!

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San Luis Obispo, California
May 15, 1949

Walter Winchell
New York, New York

Dear Sir:

Under attached cover you will find a sample of our item. Should you do no more than take our FLYIN' SAUCER out, carefully read the instructions, and fly it; I will have accomplished a portion of my expectations.

For the past few weeks I have listened with more than an indifferent attitude, to your various Sunday evening broadcasts and comments concerning Flying Saucers. From the start, much as many another individual who has tried to get ahead by his own initiative, I have visialized what the right type of publicity would do for my interests.

To state my actions in any other manner, would belittle your intelligence, and the weeks of forethought and sincerity in which this is submitted.

Your comment this evening, concerning the Gyroscopic Theories, sparkplugged my actions.

Along with the phases of merchandising mentioned in the attached articles, I should like to mention that one troop of Boy Scouts in Los Angeles are purchasing and enthusiastically include them as a major portion of their recreation program.

By these facts, it is apparent that our FLYIN' SAUCER is worthy of every effort we are able to summons in making it another American pastime of Yo-Yo proportions.

Trusting that we are justified of your consideration from a newsworthy standpoint, I remain

Very Sincerely Yours,

[redacted] b7c

San Luis Obispo, California

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Wichita Falls, Texas

Aug. 5, 1948

Agent-In-Charge,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Atlanta, Georgia.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is a carbon of a letter requesting tear sheets of the unusual aircraft seen near Montgomery, Alabama, July 24, 1948, stories concerning which were carried by AP and UP, originating in Atlanta.

It may have been oversight by someone in the circulation dep't of the Atlanta Journal, or it may have been "alarm" that a woman would be requesting this type of information, even though it was published, and thereby open information.

Even though I cannot identify myself to the Atlanta Journal publisher or staff, I can to you. I have worked independently on the problem of aerial missiles, of which I believe this was an example, with all my data going directly to officials and members of the security office of the Atomic Energy Comm., Los Alamos Atomic Project, Los Alamos, N.M., and to high members of the War Department, including Gen. Thomas T. Handy, Fourth U. S. Army Commander, Ft. Sam Houston, Tex., head of this U. S. Army district.

The incident was, I believe, an important one. And though I have already made reports to Maj. [redacted] of Los Alamos and to General Handy, I would appreciate the fuller newspaper stories appearing in the press there. Thanking you kindly, I am,

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Sincerely,

/s/ [redacted] b7C

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Wichita Falls, Texas

Aug. 5, 1948

Publisher,

Atlanta Journal,

Atlanta, Georgia.

Dear Sir:

On July 25, 1948, I mailed a letter enclosing .35 cents in coin and an airmail self-addressed envelop to your circulation department, asking for tear sheets of the Atlanta Journal containing the stories on a "strange" or "mysterious" aircraft seen near Montgomery, Alabama, July 24, 1948, by two pilots, Cap't C. S. Chiles and John B. Whitted, of the Eastern Air Lines.

These have not arrived. I asked for two copies each of the stories.

Enclosed is an additional .35 cents, and another stamped self-addressed envelop. Will you kindly see that your circulation department complies with this simple request?

I assure you that my interest in the above stories is prompted by interest in the defense of our country, and you are hereby given my fullest permission to turn this letter requesting the copies of the stories over to the FBI, should you wish.

Thanking you very kindly, I am,

Sincerely,

[redacted] b7

cc/Agent-In-Charge
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Atlanta, Georgia

'LIKE BIG FLOOR LAMP FLYING ALONG'

Everybody's Seeing 'Things' Whizzing Through Night Sky

By CHARLES POU

Is that Thing no more than a wayward floor lamp?

Mrs. Noah Atkinson, of Brookhaven, saw it. And what did that Thing look like?

"A great big floor lamp, all lit up. Oh, it was beautiful!"

And C. M. Bowles, an Exposition Mills painter who lives near the Municipal airport, Sunday night saw a "huge, brilliantly lighted object" streaking over Atlanta skies at maybe 30,000 feet. Mr. Bowles thinks the Thing was straight from Moscow.

Two air line pilots first were startled by the newest astronomical "what-is-it" near Montgomery early Saturday. To them, it was "a wingless craft, spurting flame like a Buck Rogers rocket ship." Elsewhere, all over the country, that Thing was variously identified as:

1. An aluminum covered balloon.
2. A ball of fire.
3. An unusually bright light.
4. A red and blue flame that burst in mid-air.
5. *A flash of cherry red fire.*
6. A meteor.

Mrs. Atkinson kept her Flying Floorlamp secret three weeks. But she knew she wasn't seeing things when *she* saw the *Thing.*

She and her husband, who also saw it, kept mum. The story really sounded a little silly until the two air line pilots saw their Thing gamboling and *fire-breathing* through air-line skies early Saturday morning.

After that, she decided her tale could be told:

"*My husband and I were sitting* on our front porch the night of July 5, and at a quarter to 9 o'clock we saw this Thing. Our front porch doesn't have a screen, and we were sitting near the edge where we could see good.

"I saw it first. It was not high up—about 200 feet, I guess, but it looked like it was right above the treetops. 'Looka there', I yelled to my husband, and he saw it too.

"It looked like the top part of a floor lamp, and it was the prettiest thing I ever saw. It came and passed so quick—I guess it must have been 500 miles an hour or faster."

And how about the two air*line pilots*, C. S. Chiles and John B. Whitted, of Atlanta?

Well, they took off today, armed with a camera. And they hope to bring back a picture of that Thing.

Beach Throngs Crane At 'Silver Cylinder'

ASBURY PARK, N. J., July 26. (AP)—Boardwalk throngs at this resort city craned their necks Monday at a "silver cylinder" they reported flying high overhead.

They described it as "way up in the air," and like a blimp "only blunt at both ends."

Officials, recalling "flying saucers," asked Fort Monmouth personnel to see if they could identify it.

ATLANTA JOURNAL, 7/26/48

'Flying Floor Lamp' Again Sighted Here

By CHARLES POU

That "flying floor lamp" is at it again!

An illuminated cantaloupe rolled over the city!

And a newspaperman saw "great balls of fire!

What's more, two Richmond Va., schoolteachers say they saw the same "flame-spurting" sky monster which was spotted by Eastern Air Lines pilots near Montgomery.

Like Red Floor Lamp

"I saw Halley's comet—and it was nothing like what I saw last night," declared Mrs. W. R. Delk, of 814 Hemphill ave., N. W. Breathlessly, Mrs. Delk continued:

"The front end of it looked like a flying floor lamp—a fiery-red floor lamp. Then it trailed off in little square sections.

"Oh, Halley's comet was nothing like that."

And Mrs. Delk was joined by at least 15 other Atlantians who saw a Thing which banked and rolled and breathed fire over the city Monday night between 8 p. m. and 9:45 p. m.

In the downtown section, Mr. and Mrs. Richard P. Sellers were minding their own business when a "reddish-white ball of fire about the size of a cantaloupe with a tail on it" darted over buildings.

Mrs. A. C. ~~Kirby, of~~ Carey Park, has never seen a purple cow but she did see "a great ball of fire with a great long purple tail on it." That was about 9:40 p. m.

"Bluish Streak of Light"

An attendant at the naval air station thought he was watching a falling star, until it started climbing and banked away from Atlanta. To him, it looked like a "bluish streak of light."

And now about the newspaperman. John Battle, city editor of the Augusta Chronicle, hung up the telephone after a dozen calls about weird goings-on in the Augusta skies.

ATLANTA JOURNAL, 7/27/48

'Sky Devil-Ship' Scares Pilots; Air Chief Wishes He Had One

EAL FLIERS DESCRIBE WINGLESS AIRCRAFT
Copilot John Whitted and Capt. C. S. Chiles (right).

Plane Makers Dubious About Alabama 'Thing'

By WILLIAM KEY

What was that Thing that scared the daylights out of two Atlanta Eastern Air Line pilots in the spooky hours Saturday morning?

Is there some stratospheric Loch Ness fire-breathing monster on the Milky Way run between Atlanta and New Orleans?

The pilots, Capt. C. S. Chiles, of Atlanta, and Co-Pilot J. B. Whitted, of Hapeville, would like to know. The Army Strategic Air Command would like to know. Big airplane manufacturers also are curious, but slightly dubious.

Pilots Chiles and Whitted told their thrilling story upon arriving at municipal airport here Saturday on the Houston-Atlanta, Boston run. Here is what they say they saw, near Montgomery:

A gigantic plane without wings, black against the night sky, streaking through the heavens at 5,000 feet altitude with a fiery comet's tail 25 to 50 feet in length. It had a 100-foot fuselage about four times the circumference of a B-29's, and two rows of brilliantly lighted square windows. Creepiest of all, it was a veritable Flying Dutchman of the Skies. Nary a living soul was seen aboard!

ATLANTA JOURNAL

SUNDAY, 7/25/48

Continuous Light

The pilots admitted they had goose pimples riding pick-a-back on goose pimples. What's more, they said one of their 20 passengers—C. L. McKelvie, of Columbus, Ohio—was awake and saw the same thing.

Reporters nailed Mr. McKelvie at Kennett Square, Pa. How about it, they asked him—had he seen what the Atlanta pilots said he saw?

Well, now, said Mr. McKelvie—not exactly. He said he saw "no form of ship" whatever. He saw a "continuous light speed past" his window.

"But," added Mr. McK., "I'm not very well versed in aeronautics, and certainly I wasn't looking for any Buck Rogers space ship."

Out at Santa Monica, Cal., the famous Gen. George C. Kenney, chief of the Strategic Air Command, was bearded in his den. His eyes twinkled. No, he said, cautiously, *it* wasn't one of his planes. The Army as yet hasn't got anything like the Thing seen over Montgomery.

Not Boeing Plane

"I wish we did," the general said wistfully. "I sure would have liked to see that Thing."

So said William M. Allen, president of the Boeing Aircraft Co., up at Seattle. "I'm pretty sure it wasn't one of our planes," said Mr. Allen, modestly.

Almost identical statements issued by the Army Air Forces at Washington and the United States Weather Bureau at Montgomery tended to throw some light on this fantasy. Both sources suggested that the Atlanta pilots had flown past an air radar weather observation balloon. Those things, they explained, are 10 feet in diameter and have square, tinfoil boxes fastened to them. The boxes reflect light and "give strange illusions" as they twist and turn. Maxwell Field said they send 'em up at six-hour intervals.

And Maxwell Field is at Montgomery.

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Flying Saucers Come from Southern Californi

Do you have spots before your eyes? Do vari-colored discs flutter and sail in the air in front of you? Do you see flying saucers in the skies?

If you do, don't call the doctor nor jump on the wagon. And don't worry. Other persons are seeing flying saucers too—seeing them fly through the air—and seeing them on the sales counters of the stores. You can even pick them up and feel them, and, preferably, buy them to play with.

It all started many years ago—long before the recent flurry of flying saucers—when a little boy named Freddie used to play with his mother's pie tins. If he threw them with just the right twist of the wrist, they spun and turned in fascinating curves.

Freddie grew up into a man called Fred Morrison, who always remembered what fun he had had playing with the pie tins. As a grown-up, he applied his knowledge of aerodynamics to the problem of developing a disc which could be thrown and tossed and its flight controlled by the thrower.

He evolved a metal model that sailed through the air in a most satisfactory manner. The curved disc was 9 in. in diameter and a scant 2 in. deep, with radiating arc-shaped fins and a heavy outside rim. A snap of the wrist when throwing gives a centrifugal motion to the disc which in turn gives guidance in flight. The radial fins create a vacuum on top of the whirling disc, and stability from beneath is provided by the heavy rim.

The metal model sailed through the air beautifully—but also, being metal, it sailed through windows and hedges and other obstacles, somewhat after the manner of a miniature cyclone. A material other than metal seemed a wise idea if the disc—or flying saucer—were to become a commercial product.

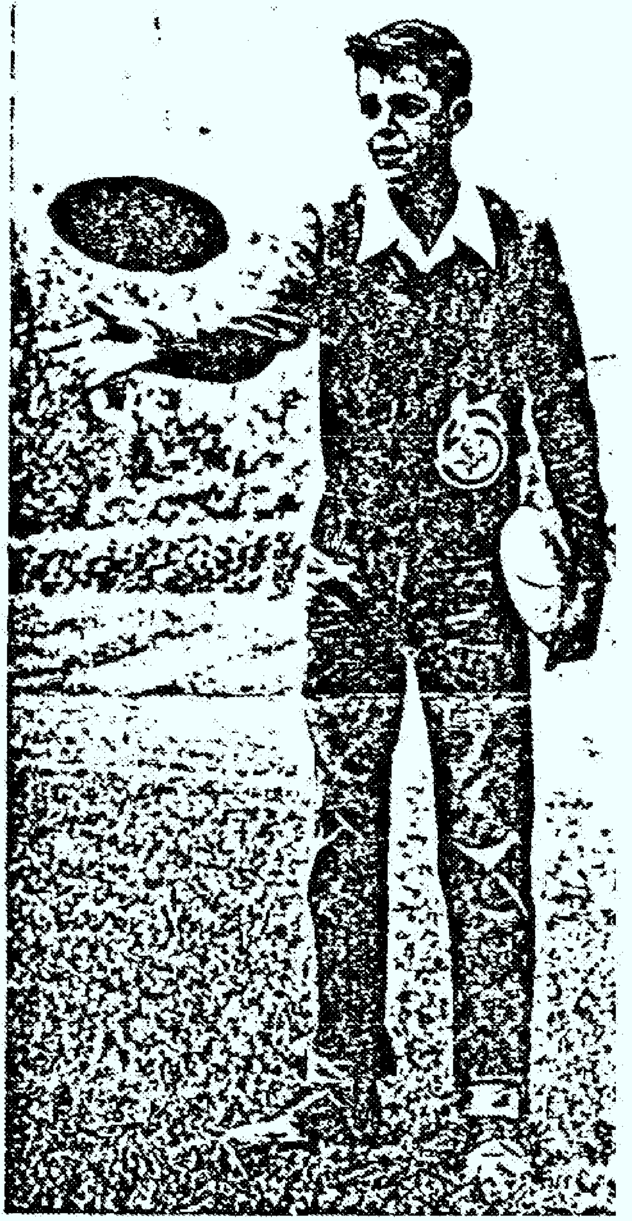
A lightweight, slightly flexible plastics looked like the answer, and Morrison brought his metal model to Southern California Plastic Co., Glendale, Calif., to see what might be done in plastics. Stanley J. Gray and Edward L. Kennedy, president and secretary of the firm, took the metal disc out on the lawn to "demonstrate" its possibilities and were soon breathlessly convinced that a great deal of fun could be had by young and old alike.

A plastics model of the disc was carved from a solid block of material, and then a mold made in the shop of Southern California. Engraving of the mold was done by United Engravers, Los Angeles.

Then came the problem of the right material. A search was made throughout the range of thermoplastic molding compounds to find the proper material that combined flexibility, impact strength, and stability while in motion. (The discs achieve considerable speed—and strain—when in flight.) Cellulose acetate provided the best combination of properties to do the job. Acetate discs will not break glass windows, nor shatter when falling from a great height, nor scar the finish on automobiles, nor injure the players.

An interesting part of the story is that producing acetate "Flyin' Saucer" is only part of the story. It i product with a wide market (how many yo-yos were s in the US last year, do you suppose?); but it must demonstrated to be sold. Everyone who sees a Fl Saucer in action is enthusiastic. Anyone who sees lying on a sales counter is likely to pass by.

That presents a merchandising problem that has sales staff of Southern California Plastic hard at w thinking up ways and means for demonstrations, ac publicity, visual promotional stunts. With a record steady-selling staple consumer items now on the ma Southern California has no intention of letting the Fl Saucers sit on the sales counters. Carefully-contro distribution, related to on-the-spot demonstrations or motional campaigns, has been the rule so far. Nati markets will not be tackled until all the promotional k have been unraveled.



That's a real Flyin' Saucer this young man has just thrown into the air—molded of tough and lightweight cellulose acetate by Southern California Plastic Co., Glendale. Designed in accordance with aerodynamic principles, the Flyin' Saucer spins through the air with the greatest of ease. Note the radial fins on the disc in the boy's left hand.

Reprinted from PACIFIC PLASTICS, August 1948

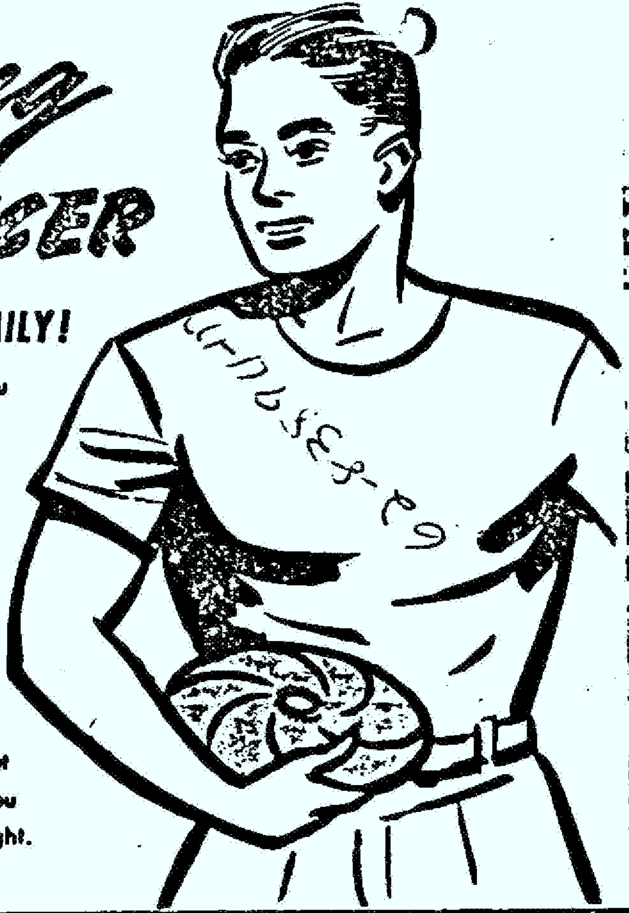
The Amazing -FLYIN-SAUCER

GREAT FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!

FLYIN-SAUCER performs in an amazing way as you develop your skill in flying it. A novel way to play catch. You will think of many games to play. Adaptable to almost any game.

HOW TO FLY

Launch your FLYIN-SAUCER straight ahead with a snap of your wrist making it spin as fast as possible. DON'T THROW TOO HARD. . . . It's the spinning that gives it lift. Begin by flying about 10 feet. When windy, throw across the wind. You will quickly learn how to bank to the left or right.



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FLYIN-SAUCER

(A Gyroscopic Airfoil)

PRECISELY ENGINEERED - AERODYNAMICALLY CORRECT
MADE TOUGH TO RESIST ROUGH HANDLING

FLIGHT INSTRUCTIONS

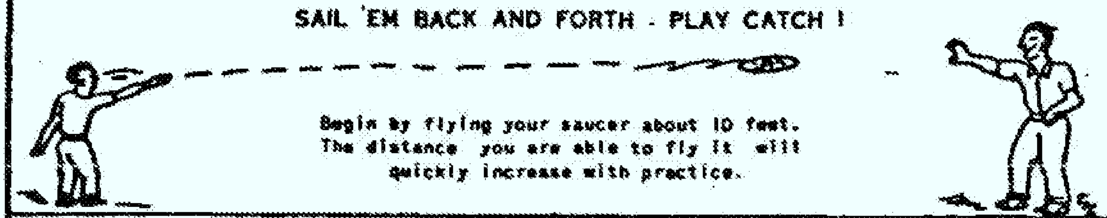
FLYIN' SAUCERS have flight characteristics very similar to airplanes. The SAUCER IS launched in identically the same manner as sailing your hat onto a hook—by spinning and forward motion.

In order to fly in a straight line, the SAUCER must leave the hand in a level position. To curve the SAUCER, it must leave the hand banked or tilted in direction of desired curve—for example: for left curve—the left side of the SAUCER must be tilted down.

FOR BEST RESULTS — The spinning of the SAUCER is most important and most difficult to master. Because the spin creates a gyroscopic action which controls the attitude of the SAUCER in flight, a smooth, fast spinning delivery should be developed Do not hold the SAUCER too tight.

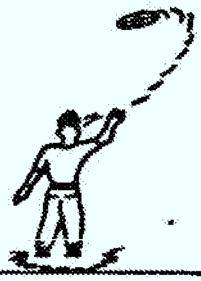
Analyze your mistakes and make corrections by tilting or banking SAUCER. The correction must be applied to the SAUCER as it leaves the hand.

SAIL 'EM BACK AND FORTH - PLAY CATCH !



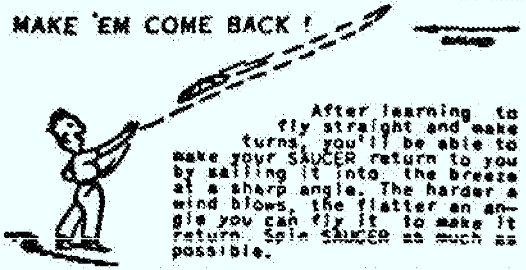
Begin by flying your saucer about 10 feet. The distance you are able to fly it will quickly increase with practice.

MAKE 'EM TURN !



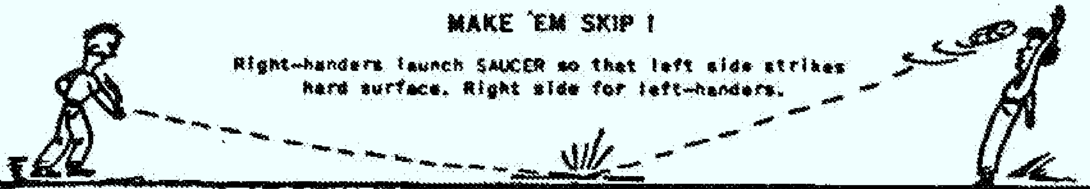
By releasing the SAUCER in a tilted manner, you can make it turn to the left or right. Bank it the way you want it to turn. It is advisable to learn to fly straight before starting to make turns.

MAKE 'EM COME BACK !



After learning to fly straight and make turns, you'll be able to make your SAUCER return to you by sailing it into the breeze at a sharp angle. The harder a wind blows, the flatter an angle you can fly it to make it return. Spin SAUCER as much as possible.

MAKE 'EM SKIP !



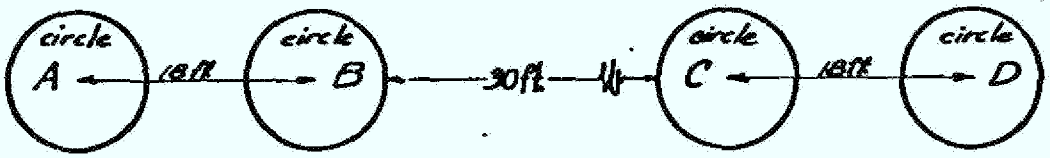
Right-handers launch SAUCER so that left side strikes hard surface. Right side for left-handers.

THE GAME OF HECKLE

THE GAME OF HECKLE provides a means of utilizing the unique manner in which the FLYIN' SAUCER can be guided. Rules and regulations are provided, forming the basis for skill and competition

PLAYERS — Four — with two on each team.

OBJECT — To fly SAUCER around HECKLERS into your partner's circle.



ALL CIRCLES ARE 6 FEET IN DIAMETER -- CENTER SPACE MAY VARY WITH ABILITY.

All players must remain in their circle until SAUCER is airborne.

The game begins with the Filer (A) attempting to sail the SAUCER around the HECKLERS in the circles (B) and (C) so that his partner in the Receiver's circle (D) can catch it.

Filer (A) must remain in his circle when serving the SAUCER.

HECKLER (B) must remain in his circle at all times while his team is defensive. He may attempt to stop the flight of the SAUCER, or distract the Filer in any manner. Should he step or fall out of his circle, *his team forfeits 1 point* and the offensive team retains serve.

HECKLER (C) remains in his circle until SAUCER is airborne. He may then leave his circle to heckle the Receiver (D) in any manner so long as he doesn't interfere with flight of SAUCER or touch the Receiver, or step into the Receiver's circle. *Hecklers forfeit* 2 points for each infraction.

Receiver (D) attempts to catch the SAUCER in his circle. Should he do so, then his team receives 2 points. Should it be necessary for the Receiver to leave *his circle* to catch the SAUCER, then his team scores but 1 point. Should he drop or miss the SAUCER, no points are scored, and the teams change positions. (A) changes with (B) and (C) changes with (D).

(C) is now the Filer, and (B) the Receiver. HECKLER (D) must remain in his circle, and the HECKLER (A) becomes the roving HECKLER.

Teams change positions when the Receiver fails to catch the SAUCER.

In the event that no Referee is available, disputes will be settled by mutual agreement, or the flip of a coin.

First team to score 25 points wins the game.

KEEP 'EM FLYIN'

This is a PIPCO PRODUCT San Luis Obispo, Calif.

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: June 2, 1949

FROM : SAC, New Orleans

SUBJECT: C FLYING DISCS

Re SAC Letter 38, dated March 25, 1949 entitled as above.

The Bureau is advised that through the Office of Naval Intelligence, New Orleans, Louisiana, this office has been advised that within the past ten days three sightings of flying discs have been reported in the City of New Orleans. The information seems to be that the single discs were in straight flight and traveling in a general direction of North, in late afternoon, about the size of an observation plane, but the shape of a saucer. The Navy stated that two witnesses have advised that the object was traveling end over end; that weather conditions were good; that sightings were made outdoors by persons who did not wear glasses; that the dates were May 18, 19 and 23, 1949. The Navy states that it was possible these objects were weather balloons, but that these are used from only one airport, released over an hour before the times of sighting and would generally be out of sight in a few minutes.

The above is being furnished the Bureau for future reference since the Navy has informed that all three instances were investigated by the Army Intelligence.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. H. B. Fletcher

DATE: May 23, 1949

FROM : [redacted] b7c

SUBJECT: MISCELLANEOUS

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b7c

On the afternoon of May 20, 1949, [redacted] Chicago 25, Illinois, was referred to my office from the Director's Office.

Miss [redacted] stated she was going to be in Washington for a few days and that she was staying at the Ambassador Hotel. She stated that [redacted] of the [redacted] in Chicago, had some information regarding flying discs. Miss [redacted] said that [redacted] theory was to the effect that when people died their souls entered a space on this earth which is, of course, invisible to human eyes. He said that in this soul world there are good and bad people and that they have become involved in a war. According to Miss [redacted] theory is that the flying discs which have been seen are the explosives being used in the warfare between the good and bad souls. b7c

Miss [redacted] stated that the real purpose of her visit to the Bureau was to get her own name cleared. She said that the FBI has been conducting investigation regarding her and that she wanted to know the results of the investigation. I asked her what kind of an investigation the FBI had been making regarding her and she stated she was under suspicion of espionage activities. I informed her that I could not furnish her with any information which is contained in the Bureau's files inasmuch as our files have been designated as confidential by the Attorney General. b7c

Miss [redacted] accepted this explanation and stated regarding her present activities that she had been in the Wacs as a private and had received an honorable discharge in 1945. She said at the present time she is working as a model in Chicago. b7c

She impressed me as being somewhat mentally unbalanced.

A check of the files failed to reveal that we have conducted any investigation relative to this individual.

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May 10, 1949

[redacted] b7c
El Monte, California

Dear Mrs. [redacted] b7c

I wish to acknowledge your letter dated April 29, 1949, and to express my appreciation for your thoughtfulness in writing to me.

In view of the contents of your letter, I have taken the liberty of sending a copy to the United States Air Force.

In the future, if you have information which may be of interest to this Bureau, you may find it more convenient to communicate with Mr. R. B. Hood, Special Agent in Charge of our Los Angeles Office, 900 Security Building, Los Angeles 13, California.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

CC Los Angeles with copies of incoming.

The correspondent communicated with the Bureau on one previous occasion enclosing a clipping from a Spanish language newspaper in Texas. She was apparently dissatisfied with the manner in which the Latin Americans were being treated in Texas. A cordial letter of acknowledgement was sent to her. [redacted] b7c

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Mr. Tolson
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
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★ MAY 10 1949 P.M.
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=HAVE THE ONLY AUTHENTIC JAPANESE FLYING SAUCER EVER RECOVERE IN THIS COUNTRY. BECAUSE OF YOUR INTEREST IN THE PRESENT DAY FLYING DISCS OF THE RUSSIANS WOULD LIKE VERY MUCH TO HAVE YOU JOIN ME ON THE BELIEVE IT OR NOT TELEVISION SHOW NEXT TUESDAY APRIL 19TH NBC NETWORK 930 TO 10PM AND GIVE YOUR COMMENTS ON FLYING DISC AND YOUR EXCLUSIVE KNOWLEDGE OF THIS LATEST RUSSIAN MENACE. REGARDS BELIEVE IT OR NOT=

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. [redacted] b7c

FROM : [redacted] b7c

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS

DATE: May 26, 1949

Mr. Tolson ✓
Mr. E. A. Tamm
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Egan
Mr. Gurnea
Mr. Harbo
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BACKGROUND:

Walter Winchell forwarded to the Director a Western Union telegram he had received from Robert Ripley which stated that he, Ripley, had the only authentic Japanese flying saucer ever recovered in this country. Mr. Winchell noted on the telegram, "To J. Edgar Hoover - True?"

DETAILS:

This matter was discussed by Special Agent [redacted] with the Intelligence Division of the Army, who advised that they had no information concerning any Japanese flying saucer ever having been recovered in the United States. b7c

This matter was discussed with Colonel [redacted], OSI-USAF, who advised on April 27, 1949 that he had interested himself in the flying saucers and related subjects and that in so far as could be determined by him through his sources in the Air Force, which are excellent, there is no authentic information available concerning the phenomenon of the flying saucers. He advised he would check with the authorities at Wright Field to determine if any information is available concerning the recovery of a Japanese flying saucer. b7c

Colonel [redacted] has now advised that there is no information available in any arm of the Air Force to the effect that any flying saucers of any kind have been recovered in the United States. Colonel [redacted] stated delay had been encountered in determining this fact inasmuch as inquiries had been directed through individuals known to him and trusted by him and not through the usual channels from which he possibly would receive a stock answer. b7c

The details of this case were not discussed by either Special Agents [redacted] or Sanders with the Army or Air Force and they are not aware of the telegram sent by Mr. Ripley to Mr. Winchell. b7c

RECOMMENDATION:

The foregoing is for your information and any disposition being desirable.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: May 13, 1949

FROM : SAC, Los Angeles

SUBJECT: "FLYING DISK" REPORT
INFORMATION CONCERNING

On May 5, 1949 [redacted] a reporter for the Sun-Star newspaper, Merced, California, advised Special Agent [redacted] that his paper had been contacted by Lt. Col. STANLEY JACOBS, Intelligence Officer, Castle Air Force Base, Merced, California, relative to any reports that the newspaper might have received concerning "flying disks" in the Merced vicinity.

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[redacted] stated a close friend of his, one [redacted] Merced, had advised him that he had observed a strange object, and as he is in the Air Corps Reserve, he reported same to the Intelligence Officer at Castle Field.

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On the same date Mr. GEORGE BREMER, Detachment Commander, Office of Special Investigations, Castle Air Force Base, Merced, California, advised SA [redacted] that he had heard that an individual had reported seeing a "flying disk" to the Intelligence Office at the Base but that the Intelligence Officer had not furnished the information to him. [redacted] later on the same date contacted SA [redacted]nd exhibited a letter written by STANLEY F. JACOBS, Lt. Col., USAF, Adjutant (Intelligence Officer) to Commanding General, Air Material Command, Wright-Patterson AFB, Wright Field, Ohio. This letter contained a statement given by Mr. [redacted] which read as follows: "I had occasion to step from my home, located approximately one mile west of the town of Merced, on the night of April 4, 1949, at approximately 2220. My attention was diverted to a clicking noise of considerable intensity. I stopped on the sidewalk about 20 feet from the front steps and recognized the source of this clicking to be in the sky in an area about 40 degrees from the surface of the earth in an easterly direction. The sky condition was 20000 thin broken with 12 miles visibility and surface winds were reported as north nine M.P.H. at Castle Air Force weather station. My home is approximately seven miles south of Castle Air Force Base and in an area somewhat sheltered from surface winds, and no appreciable surface wind was apparent at the time the aural observation was made. After about ten seconds of looking into the area described previously as being the source of this sound, an object was observed blanking out stars in describing a flight path in a west or northwesterly direction. Only one object was apparent, its shape can be described as only a solid mass. Its size can be estimated as four or five feet in diameter in keeping with an estimated altitude of considerably less than 1000 (one thousand) feet. Color was shown by the reflection of ground lights on only two occasions, and appeared to be

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dull surfacted, light colored metal. The only ground lights of intensity were a row of street lights behind me one half block which leads me to believe the under surface of this object to be curved in shape.

"This object when first sighted, was moving very slowly in a west or northwesterly direction. I would estimate that I had it in my range of vision for 35 seconds, after having heard it about ten seconds before locating it. It passed on beyond the house and maneuvered through an arc of turn to the left of about ninety degrees. The clicking sound was continuous throughout this turn, however, it became louder as it returned on its new heading of south or southwest. On its return the clicking sound became louder, but I was unable to see it at this time. The clicking stopped when it was at its greatest intensity and appeared to come from a position directly over head. I was unable to see the object after the sound stopped.

"This clicking sound, retained the same pitch and speed throughout the entire course observed, but intensity varied. There was not whistle or roar, but only the clicking noise which might be compared to beaters of a home mixer that were not properly meshed. No lights or flame were observed during the entire course with exception of the previous described reflections twice. No exhaust trail was distinguishable.

"My dog was with me and directed her attention in the general direction of this object's flight throughout its course. She had been romping with me on coming out of the house but without spoken word stopped and directed her attention on to the previously described area. The clicking sound might not have been unusual to the dog, but there is a possibility of sounds on wave lengths discernable only to the dog, being emitted."

It is to be noted that [redacted] is a member of the Active USAF Reserve with rank of Major. He attained rating of pilot in August 1941 and has approximately 2200 hours flying time. During his active duty period in WW2 he stated that he had considerable night flying experience in connection with his military assignment. The Intelligence Officer in the above mentioned letter made the following statement, "An attempt to locate other witnesses in the area or through the local newspaper proved unsuccessful". b7C

[redacted] advised that he is planning to clear with his headquarters office and will probably conduct an investigation. b7C

The above is being furnished for the information of the Bureau.

May 10, 1949

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BY SPECIAL MESSENGER

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To: Director of Special Investigations, (I. G.)
Department of the Air Force
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

From: John Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: INFORMATION CONCERNING FLYING SAUCERS
MRS. [redacted] - INFORMANT b7C

Enclosed is a photostatic copy of a letter dated April 29, 1949, received by this Bureau from Mrs. [redacted] concerning flying saucers. b7C

The correspondent has been advised that a copy of her letter has been forwarded to the United States Air Force.

This letter is being forwarded to you for any action you may deem advisable.

Enclosure

RW:jmf

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Edgar J. Hoover
F.B.I.

Dear Sir:-

Take this for what you think its worth, But I keep thinking I may be able to throw a light on the so called, Flying Saucers, I do not know how true this is, but as our own army says it has nothing to do concerning these Saucers appearing i the Skies, I aim to tell you what a certain woman told me of a supposed secret aircraft hide out and factory that is i or under mountains near Mexico city Mexico. This young woman is married a Mexican radio musician there, Who seems to be one of a special few who were allowed to visit this place in th mountains. She said that these aircraft was made of some metalic material that could not be recongised in the air only as an almost invisible form. That the passengers or pilot rather, could see out, but lookers on could not see insid that close up - they (the craft) looks sort o glass. And that they were preparing t em for special reason against the U.S.

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[illegible] there were thousands of men. [illegible] supposed to C the rocket liff O.
Now Mr. Hoover this was told me in 1942 or 43. at the time I wrote it all down and never thought any more of it until latly. and maybe I am foolish but I thought maybe this had some thing to d with the flying Saucers, if true.
I am a true american and love my country and if I can do any service for my country I am glad of it.
The flying Saucer could be more dangerous than we think.

Respictfully yours.

[redacted] b7c

P.S.
I lived with in a few miles of mexican border when this was told me.
In Texas.

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May 3, 1949

[redacted] b7c
Atlanta, Georgia

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Dear Mr. [redacted] b7c

Your letter of April 27, 1949, has been received, and I want to thank you for sending me the newspaper clipping which you enclosed together with your observations concerning the designs you submitted to the federal government in 1942. Although I would like to be of service, checks of the type you desire are not within the scope of this Bureau's activities. It was very thoughtful of you to contact me in that regard.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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HOTEL LAWRENCE
Walnut Ridge, Ark. April 27th. 19

"Flying Saucers"

Hon. J. Edgar Hoover:
Washington, D.C.

Having read the enclosed clipping you will find with this letter ~~[illegible]~~ prompts me to send it to you and ask you to check The National Inventors Council files on the 2 types of engines for the flying saucer Design that I submitted to Mrs. Elenor Roosevelt in 1942, while Henry Wallace was Secretary of Commerce. who was in charge of The National Inventors Council.

I mean just this. See how easy it would be for Wallace to have conveyed these designs to Russia and with held them from our own Engineering Dept. You can make the [illegible] for the rest of your life. if you look. I will appreciate a reply.

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Atlanta, Ga.

New Data, Ideas About Flying Saucers

And Death of Pilot Who Chased One

By United Press

DAYTON, Ohio, April 27.—The only airman who ever got near a flying saucer crashed and died be-fore he could describe it, the Day-ton Journal-Herald said today.

The newspaper printed a lengthy dispatch on the mysterious flying discs, based, it said, on hitherto un-published reports assembled at the Wright-Patterson Air Force base. The Air Force investigation has proved that the flying saucers "are not a joke." Neither "are they a cause for alarm to the popula-tion," the newspaper said.

The closest any airman came to the mystery discs was on Jan. 7, 1948, when one was sighted over Fort Knox, Ky., the dispatch said. Four fighter planes were sent aloft to intercept it, but only Capt. Thomas F. Mantell was able to get close.

"I'm closing in to take a good look," the newspaper quoted him as reporting by radio. "It looks metal-lic and of tremendous size. It's go-ing up now as fast as I am. That's 360 miles an hour. I'm going up after it. At 20,000 feet, if I'm no closer, I'll abandon chase."

Mantell's plane crashed a few minutes later and he was killed.

The paper said a report now on file at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base lists 240 domestic and 30 for-eign accounts of flying discs as having been investigated. Of these, 30 per cent seem to have been weather balloons and the like and 30 per cent more are perhaps ex-plainable conventionally—leaving 40 per cent unexplained.

The Air Force recently said there was no evidence that the discs were guided missiles fired from some other country, but that

on the other hand it was not in
possible that they were. Later th
Air Force announced it was n
making any further comments
the discs.

The Dayton paper says the repo
on which its story is based s
"evaluation teams" stated:

"We can't prove or disprove
existence of some of the remain
unidentified objects as real airc
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SAC - San Antonio April 26, 1949

Director - FBI

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Reference is made to your letter dated April 4, 1949, captioned "Protection of Vital Installations." You are instructed in the future to report information relating to flying disks under the above caption.

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In regard to your request for information that would substantiate or discredit the statements made by Walter Winchell on his broadcast of April 3, 1949, your attention is directed to SAC Letter No. 38 dated March 25, 1949, captioned "Flying Disks."

For your strictly confidential information, the data contained in SAC Letter No. 38 was obtained in confidence from a colonel in the United States Air Materiel Command, who obtained his information from persons actively engaged in the investigation of this subject.

No interview with Walter Winchell will be made by the Bureau concerning the source of his statements referred to in your referenced letter.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI DATE: April 4, 1949

FROM : SAC, San Antonio

AIR MAIL
SPECIAL DELIVERY

SUBJECT: PROTECTION OF VITAL INSTALLATIONS
(Bureau file 65-48300)

Reference is made to San Antonio letter to the Bureau dated March 22, 1949 which submitted information related by military authorities concerning unconventional aircraft.

The Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, 4th Army, has advised that at 11:50 P.M. March 31, 1949 a lighted object about the size of a basketball, reddish white in color, followed by a fire trail, was observed southwest of Killeen Base, adjacent to Camp Hood, Texas. The observation was made by 1st Lt. FREDERICK W. DAVIS, who was in charge of a platoon, Company C, 12th Armored Infantry Battalion, which is assigned as a part of an alert force (called force Abel) from Camp Hood, whose function is to protect the installation at Killeen Base.

Lt. DAVIS advised that the object was at an altitude estimated at 6,000 ft., was traveling parallel to the ground and passed directly over him at a rapid rate of speed. It was in view 10 to 15 seconds and suddenly disappeared high in the sky without having descended. No sound or odor was detected. The night was clear and visibility good. The object passed almost directly over the air strip at Killeen Base.

When Lt. DAVIS attempted to advise his headquarters by telephone immediately after the sighting, he heard static or electrical interference on the telephone line which he stated might be possible radio interference.

G-2 has advised that other lights of unknown origin were observed on March 6, 7, 8 and 17, 1949, by military personnel of the alert force stationed approximately 1000 yards east of the fences which surround Killeen Base.

The object sighted on March 31, 1949 was reported as being of a different nature from the lights seen earlier in the month.

It is noted that Mr. WALTER WINCHELL, on his Sunday evening broadcast, April 3, 1949, stated that "flying discs" seen in this country definitely emanated from Russia.

On April 4, 1949, G-2, 4th Army, contacted this office, inquiring as to whether we had any information that would substantiate or discredit the statements made by WALTER WINCHELL.

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In view of the interest and concern of 4th Army military authorities who have the duty of protecting the vital installations at Los Alamos, N. M., Sandia Base, N. M. in the El Paso Division, and the Camp Hood area in the San Antonio Division, it is suggested that the Bureau may desire to arrange to have Mr. WINCHELL interviewed concerning the source of his information that "flying discs" emanate from Russia.

It would be appreciated if the Bureau can supply any information that can be transmitted to military authorities which would clarify this matter.

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BY SPECIAL MESSENGER

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Date: May 2, 1949

To: Director of Special Investigations (I.G.)
Department of the Air Force
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

Re: FLYING DISCS

A reliable and confidential source has recently advised this Bureau that during the first part of April, 1949, Mr. [redacted] Hollywood 27, California, had informed him that [redacted] California, had noticed objects in the sky which appeared to be flying discs.

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The above information is being furnished to you for whatever action you desire and no investigation is being conducted relative thereto by this Bureau.

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Hollywood,Calif.April 10,1949.

Mr.Walter Winchell
New York City,N.Y.
My Dear Winchell.

To [illegible]

With reference to flying Disc's or other flying objects,thought you would be interested in the following. It in a measure substantiates your statements.

Friday of last week, [redacted]

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noticed an object sailing through the sky and took a good look to try and distinguish it.from planes that frequently fly over.

About the same time two of his men working about a half mile away saw the object. They checked with each other and arrived at the same conclusion. It was a Disc and they ran to a telephone to report the incident. In the meantime DeJarnett started to the location where his men were working to check and see if they had seen the object.

They had both seen it which proves beyond a question of a doubt that something of the Disc type was in the air and when the third man stated he also saw it,I am satisfied you are very much right in your statements and I am inclined to call a person a liar that says(there are no dis'c).

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Hollywood 27 Cal.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 4-22-49

FROM : SAC, LITTLE ROCK

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;
WADE H. HARRISON - INFORMANT
FLYING DISCS
FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS (4-16-49)

WADE H. HARRISON, residence address Route 1, Box 293, Fort Smith, Arkansas, is employed as a Special Delivery messenger by the Fort Smith Post Office Department.

HARRISON stated that at 5:25 p.m., Saturday, April 16, 1949, while delivering special delivery mail in Fort Smith, he stopped his automobile at a signal light located at the intersection of North Eleventh Street and Grand Avenue. He glanced up at the stop light and observed a brilliant object moving in a southeastern direction. He presumed the object was approximately 2 miles high. He got out of his automobile and pointed up with the suggestion that other automobile drivers, stopped for the signal light, could see the object. He does not know who any of the other people are or what they saw. He was obliged to move on after the light changed and the drivers began honking their horns. He watched the object until it was obscured by the line of trees in that section. He estimated he watched it travel some 3 or 4 miles before he lost sight of it. He stated the weather was clear, visibility was good, and there were no clouds near the object. The object made no noise perceptible to HARRISON. However, he commented that he was stopped at an intersection where the traffic was heavy and there was considerable noise. He first thought possibly he had seen some type of a reflector on an airplane, but could not locate or hear a plane anywhere.

HARRISON drove to the 1400 Block of North "C" Street, where he observed an Army officer, wearing the insignia of a major or lieutenant colonel, standing back of the officer's automobile. He stopped and asked the officer if he had observed the flying object. The officer, name unknown to the informant, answered negatively and then remarked, "I am glad other people are also reporting seeing flying objects." The officer then related that the day previous, Friday, April 15, 1949, while the officer was traveling out of Oklahoma City toward Fort Smith, his wife observed a flying object in the sky very similar to that described by HARRISON. The officer stated he saw the object too, but furnished no more information.

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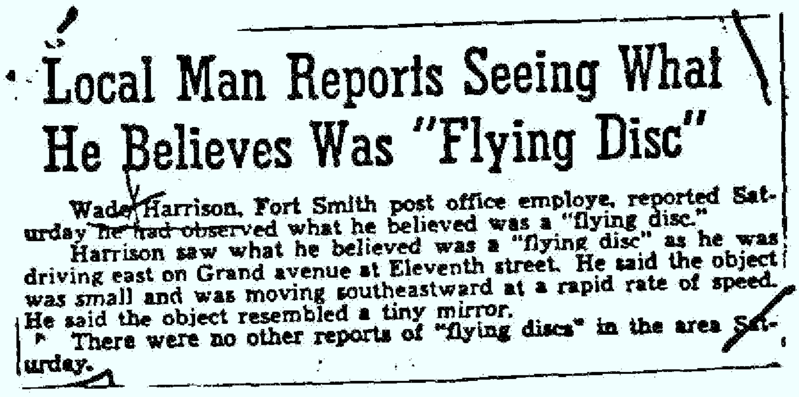
HARRISON described the object as appearing some 3 or 4 inches in diameter from the distance he saw it. It was very bright and reflected a light in a manner similar to a mirror. He reported the incident to the local press at Fort Smith and inquired if anyone had made a similar report. He received a negative reply. In this connection, please find attached an article from the front page of the Southwest-Times Record newspaper published at Fort Smith, Arkansas, Sunday, April 17, 1949.

The interview with HARRISON developed he is 52 years of age. He has had considerable college training and attended the seminary at Westminister, Maryland 2½ years. He stated that his eyesight is very good for a man of his age and that he has worn reading glasses only for the past few years. He was positive he had observed the object as related above. He was unable of course to state just what the object was or furnish any additional information concerning it. No information was available at Fort Smith indicating the object had fallen in that section or that it was observed by others. The Little Rock Office is making no further inquiries concerning the subject matter.

The offices of OSI and MID have been notified of the information set out above.

SOUTHWEST - TIMES RECORD
Ft. Smith, Arkansas
April 17, 1949



Local Man Reports Seeing What He Believes Was "Flying Disc"

Wade Harrison, Fort Smith post office employe, reported Saturday ~~he had observed~~ what he believed was a "flying disc."

Harrison saw what he believed was a "flying disc" as he was driving east on Grand avenue at Eleventh street. He said the object was small and was moving southeastward at a rapid rate of speed. He said the object resembled a tiny mirror.

There were no other reports of "flying discs" in the area Saturday.

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CONFIDENTIAL - AIR POUCH

TO: Legal Attache
Mexico City, D.F.

FROM: Director, FBI

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS

Reference is made to your letter dated April 5, 1949 captioned as above in which you request a copy of the Air Force memorandum mentioned in SAC Letter #38, Series 1949 dated March 25, 1949.

In response thereto there is enclosed herewith the pamphlet captioned, "Unconventional Aircraft" issued by the Department of the Air Force under date of February 25, 1949 to which reference was made in the above-mentioned SAC Letter.

Enclosure

CC - Foreign Service Desk (detached)

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OFFICE OF THE LEGAL ATTACHÉ
EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
MEXICO CITY

Date: April 5, 1949

To: Director, FBI

From: [redacted] Legal Attache b7C

Subject: FLYING DISCS

Reference is made to SAC Letter #38, Series 1949, dated March 25, 1949, advising that a copy of a memorandum from the Department of the Air Force, dated February 15, 1949, and entitled "Unconventional Aircraft," as furnished to the Bureau, was being forwarded to this office in order that all agents assigned to the Mexico City Office might be informed of the type of information desired by the Air Force in this matter.

This is to advise that the above-mentioned enclosure was not received by this office and it is respectfully requested that a copy of this memorandum be forwarded to Mexico City.

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FOR: FOLLOWING ACTION(S) AS CHECKED

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☐	SEE OR PHONE ME	☐	APPROVAL	☐	SIGNATURE

COMMENT As per your recent request, 50 copies of Air Intelligence Requirements No 4 are forwarded herewith for transmittal to the F.B.I.

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FROM:

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DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
DIRECTORATE OF INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

15 February 1949

AIR INTELLIGENCE REQUIREMENTS
MEMORANDUM NUMBER 4

UNCONVENTIONAL AIRCRAFT

PART I - GENERAL

1. PURPOSE

The purpose of this memorandum is twofold:

a. To enunciate continuing Air Force requirements for information pertaining to sightings of unconventional aircraft and unidentified flying objects, including the so-called "Flying Discs."

b. To establish procedures for reporting such information.

2. RESCISSION

Department of the Army Collection Memorandum Number 7, dated 21 January 1948, and letter, CSGID 425.1, dated 25 March 1948, both subject as above, which have been transferred to Air Force agencies for action, are herewith superseded.

3. REPORTING

a. General

(1) As complete an answer to the requirements enunciated in Part II, as may be procurable, should be dispatched by means of electrical transmission immediately after sightings.

(2) Supplementary reports should be forwarded as available by the most expeditious means consistent with the importance of the information reported.

b. Major Air Commands (Overseas) and Air Attaches

(1) Initial and supplementary cabled reports will be transmitted to the Director of Intelligence, Headquarters United States Air Force. Cables will contain the phase, "Pass to COMGENAMC WRIGHT-PATTERSON AFB, DAYTON, OHIO, ATTN: MCIAXO-3."

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(2) Supplementary written reports, prepared on AF Form 112, will be forwarded to the Director of Intelligence, Headquarters United States Air Force.

(3) Commanding General, Air Materiel Command is authorized direct contact with major Air Commands (overseas) and organizations under their control in connection with the development of information on this subject.

c. Major Air Commands (ZI)

(1) Reports will be forwarded direct to the Commanding General, Air Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio, Attn: MCIAXO-3 by installations receiving information pertaining to the requirements enunciated in Part II.

(2) Copies of such reports may be supplied the Command Headquarters of the installation concerned.

(3) A copy of all reports sent to Air Materiel Command in accordance with these instructions will be forwarded at the same time to the Director of Intelligence, Headquarters United States Air Force.

(4) Written reports will be submitted on AF Form 112.

(5) Commanding General, Air Materiel Command is authorized direct contact with major Air Commands (ZI) and organizations under their control in connection with the development of information on this subject.

d. Non-Air Force Agencies

(1) Addressees other than those of the United States Air Force are requested to forward reports direct to the Commanding General, Air Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio, Attn: MCIAXO-3.

(2) In order to reduce the time factor involved in transmission of this type of information it is requested that, wherever communications facilities permit, subordinate elements be authorized to communicate reports direct to the Commanding General, Air Materiel Command.

PART II - REQUIREMENTS

General

1. Date of sighting.

2. Time of sighting (zonal by 24 hr. clock).

3. Where sighted (observer's position):

a. Ground

(1) City, town.

(2) Distance and direction from city or town, road, intersection, etc.

(3) From building (story), yard, etc.

(4) Map coordinates (if feasible) showing latitude and longitude.

b. Air

(1) Type aircraft, speed, altitude, direction of flight.

(2) Distance and direction from city, town or known landmark.

(3) Clock position of object from observer's aircraft.

(4) Latitude and longitude.

c. Sea

(1) Latitude and longitude.

(2) Proximity to land. (Name city, country, etc.)

4. Number of objects.

Formation type (if any), sketch if possible.

5. Observable celestial phenomena or planets that may account for the sighting. (Local facilities or organizations which follow such celestial phenomena should be consulted for such information.)

6. Distance of object from observer.

a. Laterally or horizontally.

b. Angle of elevation from horizon.

c. Altitude.

7. Time in sight.

8. Appearance of object.

a. Color.

b. Shape. (Sketch if possible)

c. Apparent construction. (Of what material or substance)

d. Size.

(1) Estimated size.

(2) Size as it appeared from observer's view. (Compared to known object)

9. Direction of flight.

10. Tactics or maneuvers.

Vertical ascent or descent, horizontal, oscillating, fluttering, evasive, aggressive, erratic, etc.

11. Evidence of exhaust.

a. Color of smoke.

b. Length and width.

    c. Odor (if any).
    d. Rate of evaporation.
    e. Does trail vary with sound? (spurts)

12. Effect on clouds.
    a. Opened path thru clouds.
    b. Forced cloud or mists.
    c. Reflected on cloud.
    d. Showed thru cloud.

13. Lights.
    a. Reflected or attached.
    b. Luminous
    c. Blinked on and off in relation to speed.

14. Support
    a. Wings.
    b. Aerodynamic list of fuselage.
    c. Vertical jet.
    d. Rotating cylinder or cone.
    e. Aerostatic lift (balloon or dirigible).

15. Propulsion.
    a. Propeller or jet.
    b. Rotor.
    c. Aerodynamic vanes (flapping or oscillating) (Katz Mayer effect).
    d. Visible exhaust or jet openings.

16. Control and stability.
    a. Fins
    b. Stabilizers (horizontal or vertical).
        (1) Size.
        (2) Shape.
        (3) Location.

17. Air ducts.
    a. Slots.
    b. Duct openings.
18. Speed - M.P.H.
19. Sound.
    a. Continuous whine or buzz.
    b. Roar, whistle, whoosh.
    c. Intermittent.
20. Manner of disappearance.
    a. Explode.
        (1) Possibility of fragments.
        (2) Other physical evidence.
    b. Faded from view.
    c. Disappeared behind obstacle.

Relative to the Observer

1. Name of observer.
2. Address.
3. Occupation.
4. Place of business.
    a. Employer or employee.
5. Pertinent hobbies.
    a. Is observer amateur astronomer, pilot, engineer, etc.
    b. Length of time engaged in hobby (experience).
6. Ability to determine:
    a. Color.
    b. Speed of moving objects.
    c. Size at distance.
7. Reliability of observer.
    a. Sources.

(1) Neighbors.

(2) Police Dept.

(3) FBI records.

(4) Employer.

8. Notes relative to observer on:

a. Sightings in general.

b. How attention was drawn to object(s).

(1) Sound.

(2) Motion.

(3) Glint of light.

c. Degree of fatigue and duration of flight at time of sighting in cases where observer is airborne.

9. Witnesses.

a. Addressees.

b. Occupation.

c. Reliability.

10. Comments of interrogator regarding the intelligence and character of person interrogated.

Relative to Radar Sightings

1. Re radars operating on ground.

a. Observations of range, speed, altitude and size of target.

b. Did target executive any turns? If so, what angle (180°), etc. and what radius of turn. If radius of turn is not observable, how long did the target stay in the turn and what was its speed?

c. Note particularly any separation of distant target into several targets upon approach. Track all if possible.

2. If airborne when object sighted.

a. Were there any radar inductions or extra noise on radio circuits?

b. Give estimates of size, speed, maneuvers, etc.

GENERAL

1. Teletype sequences of local weather conditions.

2. Winds aloft report.

3. Local flight schedules of commercial, private and military aircraft flying in vicinity at the time. (Check Canadian activity if close to that border.)

4. Possible releases of testing devices in vicinity sent aloft by Ordnance, Navy, Air Force, Army, Weather Units, Research Organizations or any other.

5. If object contacted earth, obtain soil samples within and without depression or spot where object landed (and then presumably departed) for purpose of making comparison of soils.

6. If object came sufficiently near other aircraft or known objects check surfaces with Geiger counters for possible radioactivity. Make comparisons with other unaffected aircraft objects, etc.

7. Obtain photographs (or original negatives) where available; if not, secure sketches of:

   a. Object.

   b. Surrounding terrain where observed.

   c. Place where it contacted earth (if this happened).

   d. Maneuvers.

   e. Formation if objects were more than two.

8. Secure signed statement.

9. Obtain fragments or physical evidence where possible.

10. Was any radio antenna to be observed, i.e., (any projections or extentions that might presumably be construed as such).

C. P. Cabell
C. P. CABELL
Major General, USAF
Director of Intelligence, Office of
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FLYING DISCS. INFORMATION RECEIVED AT LOGAN, UTAH ELEVEN AM TODAY THAT AT NINE AM A GUARD AT THE ARMY GENERAL SUPPLY DEPOT, OGDEN, UTAH, OBSERVED WHAT APPEARED TO BE AN EXPLOSION IN THE AIR ACCOMPANIED BY A FLASH OF LIGHT FOLLOWED BY THE FALLING OF SILVER COLORED OBJECT. THIS WAS SEEN AT HIGH ALTITUDE WEST OF OGDEN NEAR THE TOWN OF TAYLOR, UTAH. ABOUT THE SAME TIME LT. [redacted] OF LOGAN, UTAH PD SAW TWO PUFFS OF SMOKE HIGH IN THE AIR WEST OF LOGAN FOLLOWED BY FALLING OF SILVER COLORED OBJECT. ALSO AT ABOUT SAME TIME UTAH HIGHWAY PATROLMAN [redacted] AT MANTUA, UTAH, SAW A SILVER COLORED OBJECT HIGH UP APPROACHING THE MOUNTAINS AT SARDINE CANYON BETWEEN LOGAN AND BRIGHAM CITY, UTAH AND AS OBJECT NEARED THE MOUNTAIN IT APPEARED TO EXPLODE IN A FLASH OF FIRE. SEVERAL RESIDENTS AT TRENTON, UTAH, WHICH IS WEST OF LOGAN, HAVE REPORTED TO SO, LOGAN, SEEING WHAT APPEARED TO BE TWO AERIAL EXPLOSIONS FOLLOWED BY FALLING OBJECT WEST OF TRENTON AT ABOUT NINE TWENTY AM TODAY. ABOVE INFORMATION IMMEDIATELY FURNISHED TO OSI, HILL FIELD, UTAH. ANY FURTHER PERTINENT DEVELOPMENTS WILL BE FURNISHED BUREAU FOR INFORMATION. OSI HILL FIELD HAS JUST NOW ADVISED ABOVE PHENOMENA PROBABLY CAUSED BY TWO B TWENTYNINES FROM WENDOVER FIELD WHICH ARE PRACTICE-BOMBING IN THE DESERT WEST OF LOGAN FROM EXTREMELY HIGH ALTITUDES WHICH WOULD CAUSE VAPOR TRAILS. OSI CHECKING FURTHER AND WILL ADVISE THIS OFFICE OF RESULTS. 16

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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TITLE FLYING DISCS; [redacted] complainant; Houston, Texas, December 27, 1948 b7c			CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY M

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Object described by complainant as possible flying disc determined to be a model tow target or kite which had been abandoned after unsuccessful tests. Portions of target positively identified by [redacted] L.A. manufacturer and erstwhile financial backer as being part of the model target or kite. b7c

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REFERENCE:

Teletype from Houston to Director dated 12/28/48.
Teletype from Los Angeles to Director dated 12/28/48.
Teletype from Los Angeles to Director dated 12/29/48.

DETAILS:

This investigation is predicated upon the receipt of referenced teletype from the Houston Office advising that [redacted] had located an object in the desert near Helendale, California, resembling a flying disc. This object, described as a flying disc, had been located by [redacted] [redacted] and [redacted] of South Pasadena, California, approximately one hundred and fifty miles northeast of Pasadena or about twenty miles from Lone Pine, California. b7c

Special Agent [redacted] determined that [redacted] [redacted] was traveling in Arizona and not available for interview. b7c

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: R. B. Hood SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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Mr. [redacted] Avenue, South Pasadena, California, who was with [redacted] at the time the object was discovered, advised Special Agent [redacted] on December 28, 1948, that he was present at the time the object was located on his, [redacted] landing field near Helendale, California. [redacted] advised that they had taken some pieces off the object and that subsequently, upon returning to Los Angeles, he had learned that the object was actually a model kite or tow target which had been built by the [redacted] of Los Angeles. Mr. [redacted] stated that he had talked to both [redacted] and [redacted] and that they had admitted to him having experimented with the object over his, [redacted] airfield. Mr. [redacted] made available three of the parts of the target which he had secured while at the airfield.

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The information furnished by Mr. [redacted] was verified by Special Agent [redacted] in an interview with Mr. [redacted] MANUFACTURING COMPANY, [redacted] Los Angeles. The parts made available by Mr. [redacted] were exhibited to Mr. [redacted] and he advised that the model tow target or kite had been taken to the airfield for flight tests by himself and [redacted], Los Angeles 43, California. Mr. [redacted] stated that [redacted] is the inventor of the object and [redacted] had originally agreed to finance him to develop the tow target or kite as a toy. Mr. [redacted] explained that they were primarily interested in developing the contraption as a toy kite to be sold in a much smaller model; however, the inventor, against their wishes, had developed a much larger model which he had hoped to sell as a tow target to be used behind airplanes. Mr. [redacted] stated that since he had gone that far they felt that they should give the project a test and thereupon they took it out to the desert as a precautionary measure. Mr. [redacted] stated that the flight test was a failure; the model crashed soon after it was airborne and was thereafter abandoned on the field.

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In the absence of her husband, Mrs. [redacted] was interviewed and exhibited the three parts of the kite made available by Mr. [redacted]. She readily identified the three items as part of a kite her husband had built for the [redacted] She advised that she also accompanied her husband to the desert at the time the tests were made. She explained that the kite had crashed and that the manufacturing company did not want to put any more cash in it so it was abandoned on the desert.

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The three parts of the kite were returned to [redacted] on January 7, 1949. The Sub-District Office, I. G. (USAF), 1206 Santee Street, Terminal Annex, Los Angeles, California, was apprised of the information contained herein immediately upon its receipt.

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SAC LETTER NO. 38
Series 1949

March 25, 1949

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RE: FLYING DISCS

Your attention is directed to Bureau Bulletin #57, Series 1947, dated October 1, 1947, relating to the discontinuance of investigation by this Bureau in matters concerning flying discs.

For your confidential information, a reliable and confidential source has advised the Bureau that flying discs are believed to be man-made missiles rather than natural phenomenon. It has also been determined that for approximately the past four years the USSR has been engaged in experimentation on an unknown type of flying disc.

The Department of the Air Force has furnished to the Bureau the attached memorandum classified "restricted" dated February 15, 1949, entitled "Unconventional Aircraft." This memorandum is being furnished to you in order that all agents assigned to your office can be informed of the type of information desired by the Air Force in this matter.

As set forth in Bureau Bulletin #57, referred to above, no investigation should be conducted by your office relative to flying discs, however, the attached memorandum should be referred to in securing data from persons who desire to voluntarily furnish information to your office relating to flying discs.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover

Director

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: March 22, 1949

FROM : SAC, SAN ANTONIO

SUBJECT: PROTECTION OF VITAL INSTALLATIONS
BUREAU FILE 65-58300

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Re San Antonio letter to the Director dated January 31, 1949, which outlined discussion had at recent weekly Intelligence Conferences of G-2, ONI, OSI and FBI in the Fourth Army Area concerning "Unidentified Aircraft" or "Unidentified Areial Phenomena" otherwise known as "flying discs", "Flying saucers" and "balls of fire". It is repeated that this matter is considered secret by Intelligence Officers of both the Army and the Air Force.

G-2, 4th Army, has now advised that the above matter is now termed "Unconventional Aircraft" and investigations concerning such matters have been given the name "Project Grudge".

G-2, 4th Army, advised on February 16, 1949, a conference was held at Los Alamos, New Mexico, to consider the so-called "Green fire ball phenomena" which began about December 5, 1948. It was brought out this question has been classified "secret" and that investigation is now the primary responsibility of the U.S. Air Force, Air Materiel Command, T-2.

Dr. LINCOLN LA PAZ of the University of New Mexico, discussed one siting which he himself had made which was termed the "Starvation peak incident" and described the following characteristics which indicated that the phenomenon could not be classified as a normal meteorite fall.

1. There was an initial bright light (no period of intensity increase) and constant intensity during the duration of the phenomenon.
2. Yellow green color about 5200 Angstroms.
3. Essentially horizontal path.
4. Trajectory traversed at constant angular velocity.
5. Duration about two seconds.
6. No accompanying noise.

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It was brought out that since December 5, 1948 there have been more than ten incidents analagous to the "green fireball" above described and some twenty others with minor deviations from the above. It is also pointed out that the only sitings which had occurred seemed to have been confined to the Los Alamos, Las Vegas, and West Texas triangle.

G-2 also advised that as of November 1, 1948, information had been received from higher Military authorities that the Air Force had advised that such sitings occur periodically and that another period of sitings was then imminent. Further, on February 14, 1949, higher Military authorities advised that it was believed that ultimately it would be found that the phenomena in question have a natural explanation.

It is further noted that about 7:30 p.m., March 6, 1949, what was at first thought to be a flare was seen approximately one-half mile north of Killeen Base in the area of the Vital Installation at Camp Hood, Texas, and a second flare was noticed at 1:45 a.m., March 7, 1949, approximately three miles from Killeen Base. It has since been concluded that the flares seen near Killeen are probably similar to the phenomena previously noted in the Los Alamos, Sandia Base Area although these are the first sitings of such phenomena near Camp Hood.

There appears to be reason to believe that the above-mentioned phenomena may be connected with secret experiments being conducted by some U.S. Government Agency as it is believed that the United States is farther advanced in guided missile development than any foreign power.

Although the primary responsibility for investigating such matters is now with the U.S. A.F. Air Materiel Command, G-2, 4th Army is still interested in being advised of any further sitings of such phenomena which might be observed.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Ladd

FROM : Mr. Fletcher

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS

DATE: March 14, 1949

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PURPOSE

The approval of the Executives Conference is requested for the attached SAC letter furnishing to the field the type of information desired by the Intelligence Division of the Air Force in connection with the captioned matter.

BACKGROUND

You will recall that by Bureau Bulletin #57, Series 1947, dated October 1, 1947, the field was advised that effective as of that date the Bureau had discontinued its investigative activities in connection with flying discs. The field was advised that all future reports concerning this matter received in the field should be referred to the Air Forces.

Colonel [redacted] Air Materiel Command, Nuclear Energy for the Propulsion of Aircraft Research, Oak Ridge, Tennessee, has recently and confidentially advised the Bureau that flying discs are believed by the Air Force to be man-made missiles rather than some natural phenomenon and that as much as four years ago it was learned that some type of flying discs were being experimented upon by the Russians. It was further determined from [redacted] that most all of the flying discs seen by persons in the United States approached this country from a northerly direction and returned in the same direction, indicating the strong possibility that they are coming from Russia.

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The Department of the Air Force has furnished to the Bureau a sufficient number of copies of a memorandum dated February 15, 1949 captioned "Unconventional Aircraft" which can be furnished to our field offices.

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At the present time this Bureau is conducting no investigation of information received in the field relating to the captioned matter.

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RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the attached SAC letter and enclosure be forwarded to the field to advise them of the type of questions to be asked of persons who voluntarily submit information relative to "flying discs." Although no active investigation will be conducted by the Bureau, it is believed that the captioned matter is of sufficient importance to the internal security of the country that our field offices should secure as much information as possible from complainants in order to assist the Department of the Air Force.

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Attachment

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: January 31, 1949

FROM : SAC, SAN ANTONIO

SUBJECT: PROTECTION OF VITAL INSTALLATIONS
BUREAU FILE # 65-58300

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At recent Weekly Intelligence Conferences of G-2, ONI, OSI, and F.B.I., in the Fourth Army Area, Officers of G-2, Fourth Army have discussed the matter of "Unidentified Aircraft" or "Unidentified Aerial Phenomena" otherwise known as "Flying Discs", "Flying Saucers", and "Balls of Fire". This matter is considered top secret by Intelligence Officers of both the Army and the Air Forces.

It is well known that there have been during the past two years reports from the various parts of the country of the sighting of unidentified aerial objects which have been called in newspaper parlance "flying discs" and "flying saucers". The first such sightings were reported from Sweden, and it was thought that the objects, the nature of which was unknown, might have originated in Russia.

In July 1948 an unidentified aircraft was "seen" by an Eastern Airlines Pilot and Co-Pilot and one or more passengers of the Eastern Airlines Plane over Montgomery, Alabama. This aircraft was reported to be of an unconventional type without wings and resembled generally a "rocket ship" of the type depicted in comic strips. It was reported to have had windows; to have been larger than the Eastern Airlines plane, and to have been traveling at an estimated speed of 2700 miles an hour. It appeared out of a thunderhead ahead of the Eastern Airlines plane and immediately disappeared in another cloud narrowly missing a collision with the Eastern Airlines plane. No sound or air disturbance was noted in connection with this appearance.

During the past two months various sightings of unexplained phenomena have been reported in the vicinity of the A.E.C. Installation at Los Alamos, New Mexico, where these phenomena now appear to be concentrated. During December 1948 on the 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 11th, 13, 14th, 20th and 28th sightings of unexplained phenomena were made near Los Alamos by Special Agents of the Office of Special Investigation; Airline Pilots; Military Pilots, Los Alamos Security Inspectors, and private citizens. On January 6, 1949, another similar object was sighted in the same area.

b7C [redacted] a Meteorologist of some note, has been generally in charge of the observations near Los Alamos, attempting to learn characteristics of the unexplained phenomena.

Up to this time little concrete information has been obtained.

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There have been day time sightings which are tentatively considered to possibly resemble the exhaust of some type of jet propelled object. Night-time sightings have taken the form of lights usually described as brilliant green, similar to a green traffic signal or green neon light. Some reports indicated that the light began and ended with a red or orange flash. Other reports have given the color as red, white, blu-white, and yellowish green. Trailing lights sometimes observed are said to be red. The spectrum analysis of one light indicates that it may be a copper compound of the type known to be used in rocket experiments and which completely disintegrates upon explosion, leaving no debris. It is noted that no debris has ever been known to be located anywhere resulting from the unexplained phenomena.

Recent observations have indicated that the unidentified phenomena travel at a rate of speed estimated at a minimum of three miles per second and a maximum of twelve miles per second, or a mean calculated speed of seven and one-half miles a second, or 27,000 miles an hour. Their reported course indicates that they travel on an East - West line with probability that they approach from the Northern quadrant, which would be the last stage of the great circle route if they originated in Russia. When observed they seem to be in level flight at a height of six to ten miles and thus traveling on a tangent to the earth's surface. They occasionally dip at the end of the path and on two occasions a definite vertical change in path was indicated. These phenomena have not been known to have been sighted, however, at any intermediate point between Russia and Los Alamos, but only at the end of the flight toward the apparent "target", namely, Los Alamos.

In every case but one the shape of the objects has been reported as round in a point of light with a definite area to the light's source. One report gives a diamond shape; another indicates that trailing lights are elongated. The size is usually compared to one-fourth the diameter of the full moon, and they have also been compared in size to a basketball with trailing lights the size of a baseball.

On no occasion has sound been associated directly with the phenomena, but unexplained-sounds have been reported from Los Alamos. On two occasions reports have been received of the sighting of multiple units.

Some nine scientific reasons are stated to exist which indicated that the phenomena observed are not due to meteorites. The only conclusions reached thus far are that they are either hitherto unobserved natural phenomena or that they are man made. No scientific experiments are known to exist in this country which could give rise to such phenomena.

[redacted] was the subject of a letter from the Atlanta office to the Bureau dated August 10, 1948, entitled, [redacted] INFORMATION CONCERNING." b7c

She has written many letters to Military Authorities concerning her theories regarding Atomic Energy. She has generally been considered unreliable and possibly mentally unbalanced. She, however, has submitted to Military authorities the only theory thus far known that has any credibility at all, namely, that the lights are manifestations of cosmic rays which are directed toward a specific point. She further theorizes that such rays may interfere with the ignition of motors and may account for various unexplained air crashes.

The above is submitted for the confidential information of the Bureau and offices to which copies of this letter are directed so that these offices may evaluate any such reports they may have received or may receive in the future.

It is noted that the Fourth Army has the responsibility of protecting vital installations at Los Alamos, New Mexico, Sandia Base, New Mexico, and Camp Hood, Texas. Any information developed should be expeditiously transmitted to G-2, Fourth Army.

It is further noted that G-2 and O.S.I. are actively engaged in investigating this matter. No investigation is being conducted by this office.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : Director, FBI

DATE: February 18, 1949

FROM : SAC, Knoxville

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SUBJECT: "FLYING SAUCERS" OBSERVED OVER OAK RIDGE AREA
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

Reference is made to Knoxville letter to the Director dated January 10, 1949, entitled as above.

There is being forwarded for the Bureau's information a copy of a letter from [redacted] USAF, AMC [redacted] [redacted] Oak Ridge, Tennessee, to Mr. [redacted] [redacted] U. S. Atomic Energy Commission, Oak Ridge. This letter is self explanatory and reveals that the photographs forwarded with referenced letter are the result of accident or purposeful hoax and are not actually photographs of a "flying saucer".

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[redacted] personally advised that while the photographs are not real, his statements made concerning the existence of flying saucers and the opinions expressed by him nevertheless stand as previously stated.

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NEPA Project, P. O. Box
Oak Ridge, Tennessee

10 February 1949

COPY

Mr. G. J. Rathman
Chief, Investigation Section
Security Division
U. S. Atomic Energy Commission
P. O. Box E
Oak Ridge, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Rathman

This is in response to your letter dated 16 December 1948, subject "Photographs", with inclosures, addressed to Major B. J. Grant at this site, concerning photographs taken during the month of July 1947 by Mr. William Presley of 218 Illinois Avenue, Oak Ridge, Tennessee, of an unidentified object that appeared to be flying over Oak Ridge.

Since receipt by Major Grant of the above material, this office has taken steps to secure an evaluation of same by the Air Force office of the Chief, Technical Intelligence Division, Intelligence Department, Air Materiel Command, at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio. As a result, the following information has been revealed:

> "When the negative, containing the sphere, is examined by strong incident light, it is noted that the emulsion is raised at that point above the normal level of the remaining emulsion. This indicates that either a drop of warm water or a drop of developer struck the film at this point and rolled down this negative and the succeeding negative.
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> "To further substantiate this, it will be noted that when the two (2) negatives are placed side by side with the edges of the film aligned, the so-called "trail" is continuous, that is the two sections match, indicating the drop rolled on from one negative to the next.
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Ltr. to Mr. G. J. Rathman, Chief, Investigation Section, U. S. AEC, dated 10 February 1949, Re Photographs

> of the negative. In other words, there is a trail of that section of the negative which was not exposed in the camera. This effect shows up in one negative and not in the other because the negative in question is fogged; therefore, this irregularity was developed.
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> "Still further proof of these defects lies in the number of unevenly developed sections of the negative."

In view of the above, it is recommended that this entire matter be declassified and that Mr. Presley be advised of the nature of the images, if and when the negatives are returned to him by your office.

For your information, this office is taking the liberty of furnishing a copy of this communication to Mr. C. C. McSwain, Special Agent, FBI, because of official interest evidenced by his office in the matter.

Your cooperation in furnishing photographs and negatives, together with information contained in your letter of 16 December 1948 to Major Grant, is sincerely appreciated.

Very truly yours,

C. D. GASSER
Colonel, USAF
AMC Engineering Field Officer

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cc - Mr. C. C. McSwain

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From: CO Kirtland AFB New Mexico

To: Chief of Staff USAF attn Dir of Special Investigations Officer of the Inspector General

Nr: OSI-1-90 31 January 1949

Reference previous reports, subject; unknown, aerial phenomena, file number 24-8. Sighting of identical object reported at 2255Z 30 Jan 49 by aprx 30 people. Estimate at least 100 total sightings. AEC, AFSWP, 4th Army, local commanders perturbed by implications of phenomena. Sighting reported from El Paso, Alburquerque, Alamogordo, Roswell, Socorro, and other locations. All appear to be same object at different points in trajectory. Unless instructed to contrary this office will make all out investigation with view to location of impact point if any. Request reply.

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WASHINGTON, D. C.

Date 1/25/49

Consigned to: SAC, HOUSTON

Case References FLYING DISCS b7c

[redacted], Complainant

List of Contents

8mm Movie Film,,
parts of supposed flying disc.

Mr. Harbo, 7641
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Mr. Downing, 6228 IB
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : The Director

DATE: January 24, 1949

FROM : D. M. Ladd

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS

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Mr. Ladd
Mr. Glavin
Mr. [illegible]
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Miss [illegible]
Miss Gandy

I thought you might be interested in the following information concerning "Flying Discs" which has been furnished to the Bureau on a confidential basis by [redacted] Air Material Command, U. S. Army, who is the principal army technician at the Nuclear Energy for the Propulsion of Aircraft Research Center at Oak Ridge, Tennessee.

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[redacted] stated that he knew nothing of an official nature concerning "Flying Discs" other than the fact that they are believed by Air Force Intelligence officials to be man-made missiles, rather than some natural phenomena. It was his further belief that a great deal of information has been compiled concerning these missiles by air force intelligence, and that research on the matter was being extensively done at Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio.

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[redacted] then continued with his own ideas as to what might be the nature of these discs which ideas he had formulated through review of those known facts and theoretical conjectures of himself and other scientists concerning the nature of flying discs and methods of propulsion for such type of aerial mechanism. According to him, flying discs have long been a theoretical possibility, and, in fact, a possibility which would indicate one of the best means by which to break through the barriers of the supersonic area. He stated that scientists have, for many years, been attempting to develop this type of aircraft. Some experimentation has been done even in the United States, but insofar as is known in the United States at the present time, there have never been any practical developments. As a second factor of consideration, [redacted] stated that insofar as is known to U. S. scientists at this time, there is no known chemical fuel which would make possible tremendous range of flight such as is ascribed to the reported "flying discs." According to [redacted] there is only one possible fuel which could be utilized which is in accord with present theory, and that is the utilization of atomic energy.

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He stated that this subject matter was being given absolutely no disseminatio by the air force or other military personnel, and that they had not deemed it advisable to advise him of all information pertaining to this type missile. He continued, however, that in his conversation with representatives at Wright Field and in reading reports returned to this country by foreign agents, he had gathered together certain information which might be of assistance in determining whether or not these so-called missiles were authentic, usable and of danger to the United Stat

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He pointed out that knowledge of such a possible aircraft is not by any means new and that it was known as early as four years ago that some type of flying disc was being experimented with by the Russians. In addition he said that more recent reports have been received from representatives of the Central Intelligence Agency in Southern Europe and Southern Asia to the effect that the Russians were experimenting with some type of radical aircraft or guided missile which could be dispatched for great distances out over the sea, made to turn in flight and return to the base from which it was launched. He related that this information was extremely worthy of notice as experiments in this country have so far only developed to the point where we are concerned with delivering a missile to the required point of impact, and no consideration has been given to imparting to that missile the ability to return. He also advised that it is a known fact that the Russians are attempting to develop some type of nuclear energy, that they received a wealth of information concerning nuclear energy at the time of their occupation in Germany, and that they have at their disposal a limited supply of fissionable materials. He pointed out that the Russians have some very capable scientists in the field of atomic energy and that, in addition thereto, they took into their custody some of the most-advanced and capable scientists of the German Nation.

[redacted] stated that a peculiar fact concerning these missiles is found in reports he has received, that from all appearances the missiles usually approach the United States from a northerly direction and have been reported as returning in a northerly direction. He advised that none have ever been known to crash, collide or disintegrate over American soil, but it would appear that they come to the United States, cruise around, and go back over the North Pole. He stated that insofar as is known to him there has never been any part of a missile of this type recovered from any source whatever in order that an analytical study of its nature could be made. He stated that one report has been received concerning a collision of these missiles with another type of aircraft. This report, according to him, emanated from Czechoslovakia and took place a short time prior to the report of numerous discs over the United States. According to [redacted] a Czechoslovaki transport had reportedly collided with some unidentified missile while in mid-air over the ocean, and that the missile and transport were completely disintegrated without recovery of parts or survivors from either.

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[redacted] concluded that this matter, while still purely a matter of guesswork, is nevertheless a source of great concern to the military establishment of this country. He advised that great efforts have been expended by the military service to determine the nature of these missiles and upon so determining, decide whether or not an adequate defense can be established. He stated that it has given impetus to the research being done by the air force in their own program of nuclear energy for the propulsion of aircraft to develop guided missiles.

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ACTION:

None. The above is for your information.

SAC, Houston January 25, 1949

Director, FBI

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[redacted] Complainant b7C

Reference is made to Los Angeles teletype dated 12/29/48 and to Houston teletype dated 12/28/48, and the subsequent transmittal of an 8mm movie film taken by Mr. [redacted] along with several parts of the supposed flying disc to the laboratory for examination. b7C

Since prior to receipt of the above items by the laboratory the information was obtained which identified the supposed flying disc as a tow target and later a toy kite, no examination was conducted here.

Accordingly, these items are being returned to you via registered mail.

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cc: SAC, Los Angeles

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TO : Director, FBI DATE: 12/28/48

FROM : SAC, Houston

SUBJECT: FLYING DISC
[redacted] Complainant b7c

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Attention: Assistant Director D.M. Ladd

Remytel 12/28/48 in the above captioned matter.

For the Bureau's information, on 12/27/48 [redacted] an attorney with offices [redacted] Houston, Texas, telephonically contacted the Houston Office to advise that he had a friend, [redacted] who had some information on an object which might be a flying disc. Mr. [redacted] stated he was calling in response to Mr. [redacted] suggestion and as a means of determining what authorities would have an interest in this matter. He said Mr. [redacted] was a machinist employed by the [redacted] Houston. b7c

Mr. [redacted], in calling, advised that the disc, or object, was approximately eight feet in diameter, had a tail and wings, and apparently was equipped for jet propulsion. He stated [redacted] had observed this object at a desert location near Las Vegas, Nevada; further, that Mr. [redacted] had taken some movie film of the disc and that this film was currently in his possession. b7c

Immediately upon receipt of the above information, Mr. [redacted] Special Agent, O.S.I., Ellington Field, Texas, was notified as was true of Captain [redacted] MID representative, also Houston. As a result of these referrals, arrangements were effected with Mr. [redacted] to bring his film to the Houston Office for a showing at 8 P.M., 12/27/48. This was done with Messrs [redacted] and Special Agent [redacted] and the writer observing. Arrangements were then made for Mr. [redacted] to again appear at the Houston Office on the morning of 12/28/48 in order that his information might be reduced to writing. Mr. [redacted] in making his initial appearance at the office surrendered his movie film which consisted of one 50 foot roll of 8 mm movie film. Approximately fifteen feet of this roll relates exclusively to the pictures of the flying disc. b7c

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While observing the object, Mr. [redacted] noted an aluminum cylinder which had become detached from one of the wing tips and he brought this back with him as a souvenir. This cylinder conceivably could act as a rudder, a rocket housing, or fuel tank attachment. Mr. [redacted] initialled the cylinder and surrendered it also.

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There are attached hereto for the Bureau two copies of a signed statement taken from Mr. [redacted] dated Houston, Texas, 12/28/48. Two copies of the statement are attached for the Los Angeles Office, and one informational copy is being designated for the Cincinnati Division. The original is being retained in the Houston file. One copy of the statement is attached to the copy of this letter for the FBI Laboratory. During the interview with Mr. [redacted] Mrs. [redacted], a stenographer for O.S.I., Ellington Field, recorded the statement for O.S.I. use.

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Initial information obtained concerning this flying disc was furnished telephonically to Inspector [redacted] at the Bureau, 9 A.M., 12/28/48. Mr. [redacted] requested the Bureau be given a summary of the information by teletype, with interested offices being similarly notified, and that the signed statement of [redacted] be submitted AMSD. He further instructed that he did not want the Bureau "side tracked" in the handling of this matter, but that FBI representatives should assume an active interest in the investigation throughout, cooperating, of course, with O.S.I. representatives.

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Mr. [redacted] headquarters are the District Commander, 5th O.S.I. District, Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio. On the morning of 12/28/48 Mr. [redacted] sent a telegram to his District Commander giving a general summary of the original complaint. Mr. [redacted] was unable to advise how the 5th O.S.I. District would handle their inquiry in this matter. He stated this could either be handled by Wright Field dispatching a special plane to California or by having their District Commander, 18D, O.S.I., San Bernardino, California handle it. He stated in any event it would be necessary for O.S.I. representatives to first confer with Mr. [redacted] named in this statement, as being the individual who initially discovered the flying disc and would know also its present whereabouts.

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Mr.[redacted] as indicated, maintains a business a[redacted] [redacted] Los Angeles, California, telephone b7c

To insure the Bureau's participation in this matter, SAC R.B. Hood, of the Los Angeles Office, was contacted telephonically at approximately 11:30 A.M. (CST) 12/28/48 with the suggestion he maintain contact with Mr.[redacted] b7c

Also in keeping with Bureau instructions, the roll of film received from Mr.[redacted] together with the aluminum portion of the fuselage, is being forwarded separately to the Bureau, attention FBI Laboratory. b7c

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Package

Houston, Texas
Dec. 28, 1948

I, [redacted] residing [redacted], Houston 17, Texas, make the following statement to Special Agent [redacted] and [redacted], representatives of the Office of Special Investigation, Ellington OSI Detachment, Ellington Field, Texas, and Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted] who I know to be Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. b7C

On Monday afternoon December 6, 1948, at about 6 P.M., Mr. [redacted] Mr. [redacted] and another man, name not recalled, and I had dinner at the Old Virginia Inn, Los Angeles, California. After dinner we went back to Mr. [redacted] electrical manufacturing company which he owns and operates in Los Angeles, California. Mr. [redacted] told us about seeing a flying disc and we made an appointment to leave early the next morning by car, with our cameras, to go to the location of the disc. Mr. [redacted] was detained at some private air field so we did not leave until about 2 P.M. on December 7, 1948. We arrived at the scene of the flying disc and took pictures of the disc which was still lying around. Mr. [redacted] took about 10 feet of 16 mm film and Mr. [redacted] took five or six shots with a Speed Graphic Camera. He noticed that the first three shots were taken when the adapter on his lens was closed too much and I don't know if they turned out all right. Mr. [redacted] suggested I hold the flying disc up and rotate it around and he would take my picture with my camera. After taking the pictures, we patched the fence of Mr. [redacted] property where people had been cutting the wire to get to a road. We left and then drove back and had dinner at Eaton's Inn and they took me back home to Hollywood, California. b7C

I would like to recite that I left Houston, Texas 11:30 A.M. on Sunday, December 5, 1948, for California by plane and flew to Hollywood, California on a commercial plane on business matters. On arriving in Hollywood, I met Mr. [redacted] in Hollywood on Monday, December 6, 1948, and at that time he told me about the flying disc he had located. He stated he had gone to Las Vegas by his personal plane and saw the disc from the air on his way back. b7C

On December 7, 1948 we went out in Mr. [redacted] car and picked up his wife and left his home in South Pasadena about 11 A.M. We drove out to an airport where his plane was about forty miles from Pasadena were he was having the plane repaired. He wanted to be sure the plane was on a truck before we left for the destination where the disc was. In making this trip, we proceeded out by a race track and passed one of the Kaiser steel works and the Virginia Dare Wine Orchard. I would say we went directly north or northeast from Pasadena, California. We drove through a town called Fatolia (phonetic) and followed a road through some mountains and through a small desert. I would estimate the distance from Pasadena to where the disc was found to be about 150 miles. The terrain in which the disc was found could be described as flat, desert, and desolate.

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I would like to explain that Mr. [redacted] has private property (an airport which he purchased from the government) right by the location of the disc. Mr. [redacted] thought the disc might have been launched from his airport, but whether that was it or not - we don't know. Mr. [redacted] said he usually flew at an altitude of about 8,000 feet and, of course, he flew lower in some spaced. He did not mention his altitude at the time he first saw the disc. The disc was located practically just outside his property and we were going north, so it would be east of his property. He has about 900 acres.

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When we arrived at Mr. [redacted] property, we saw the disc, or flying wing, and it was on the ground in a semi-vertical position, approximately a 45 degree angle, with the left wing imbedded in the ground. In looking at the ground, it appeared that the object had hit the earth with considerable force and had slid 300 to 400 feet. It was dented but was generally intact. I think the pictures I took with a Revere 8 mm camera quite well show the form, shape and size of the "wing." I am 5'7" tall and in standing next to the object when it was in an upright position, it was slightly higher than my height. I would say it was roughly seven feet in diameter, before crashing.

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On each side of the object there were wings approximately four feet by twenty inches and three inches thick with an axle that protruded through the disc and into the wings. It was mounted on ball bearings which the disc rotated on.

The disc itself was approximately two feet thick in the center, tapering to a feather edge at the rim. On the outside of the disc, near the rim, there were funnel shaped cups bradded on and these were spaced all around on both sides, each cup being approximately twenty inches apart. The openings of these cups were to the rear. The disc itself was natural aluminum with no paint on it except of the type of aluminum which was 24 S.T. and it bore this stamp. The wings were painted a yellow-green camouflage color.

The wing has a leading edge similar to that of an airplane and tapers to the rear to a feather edge. The wing was ribbed throughout with aluminum ribs for substantial strength. Each wing had a similar rocket cartridge on each tip fastened by two bolts. I had one of the wings in my possession and have turned it over to the proper authorities. The cartridge on the one I had was apparently knocked off in the crash.

There were two strut bars attached approximately twenty inches from the disc leading to the rear with an elevator. Also, the two struts protruded toward the front with something attached, a weight or some tow system, which was during the crash anchored into the ground and bent and we could not exactly determine how it was weighted or controlled. I would say the elevator was approximately twenty-two inches long and about 5/8 inch thick with a slight taper to the rear and probably ten inches wide. The struts extending from the trailing edge of the wing to the elevator were made of 5/8 inch steel tubing. The disc, in being lifted, I would judge to weigh from 80 to 100 pounds.

With respect to the pictures taken, I took approximately 15 feet of colored 8 mm film.

The disc was built where they had the proper equipment to do the necessary work because they had to have a spot welder and building equipment to make the different angles. I might add that I am an instrument maker for the [redacted] and have a generally good knowledge of machine and metal work. There was nothing on the object to indicate its origin, whether American or foreign make. It would appear, however, from the aluminum, workmanship, etc. that it probably was American made.

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After we finished taking our pictures and discussing the object among ourselves, Mr. [redacted] expressed an intention of obtaining a truck and hauling the object to his shop. I cannot say at this time whether he did this or not or where the object may be at this particular date. We finished our observation and picture taking at approximately 5:30 or 6 P.M. on December 7. b7c

In response to Mr. [redacted] inquiry, there was no ~~radio equipment noted on the object in any fashion or form.~~ b7c

We returned to Pasadena, California, that evening arriving in Hollywood about 9 or 9:30 P.M. I took some more pictures that night along Hollywood Boulevard on the unfinished roll of film and then watn over the Chinese Theatre and took a picture of the signature of George Raft and finished the roll. I bought another roll of film, and took them to the Eastman Kodak Company the following Monday which would be December 13, 1948. As I recall, this Eastman shop was on Los Palmas Street in Los Angeles, California. They informed me they would develop the film and that it would be ready on Thursday. I left California on Wednesday so they mailed the film to me at my business address, [redacted] Houston, Texas. b7c I received these films on December 23, 1948.

After my return from California I mentioned to several of my business and social acquaintances that I had seen this object, a disc or saucer or whatever you might call it, and told them that I had taken pictures and would be glad to show them when the pictures arrived. As stated, I received the film on December 23 and at 1:30 P.M. on the same date I showed the film in the projection room at [redacted] to the following:
[redacted] b7c
and two other men whose names I do not recall. All of these men work in the instrument shop with me at [redacted] Company. I also showed the film to my brother-in-law, [redacted] of Pasadena, Texas, at home on the following night.

On Christmas Day I met some friends and one of the girls was with a young boy who was interested in photography. I do not know his name but he works at Southern Pacific. I told him I had some pictures of the flying disc but I did not show him the pictures but explained the disc. I think this boy is the person who had his friend at the newspaper contact me.

I got home about 10:30 A.M. and [redacted] of the City Desk at the "Houston Post" called me and wanted to know about the disc. I told him I could not give him any information on it. He begged me for the story, but I told him I would let him know and that I had friends I had to contact before I could give him any information. b7c

I then got in touch with Mr. [redacted] my lawyer, the following morning and asked him if he knew anyone in the FBI. He stated all the FBI personnel he knew were no longer stationed here. I then contacted the FBI and turned the material over to them. b7c

Although I can't describe where this object is located, I believe I could go back to it and I am sure Mr. [redacted] and and Mr. [redacted] could go back to it.

Mr. [redacted] business address is [redacted] [redacted] Avenue, South Pasadena, California. [redacted]is president of the [redacted]Company, [redacted] Boulevard, Los Angeles, California. b7c

For record purposes, in taking the pictures above referred to, I did so using exposure of 16 frames per second at a diaphragm opening of f6.3. I used Cine-Kodak Kodachrome film.

ATTENTION The above statement, made voluntarily and for the ~~retention~~ of proper authorities, is made to my best knowledge and belief.

[redacted] b7c

Witnesses:

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Representatives OSI, Ellington Field, Texas

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FBI, Houston, Texas

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TO : DIRECTOR FBI

DATE: [redacted]uary 10, 1949

FROM : SAC KNOXVILLE

SUBJECT: "FLYING SAUCERS" OBSERVED OVER OAK RIDGE AREA
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

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Secret War Pr

There are being submitted herewith two photographs of reputedly "flying saucers" which were seen at Oak Ridge, Tennessee, sometime during July of 1947. All of the information contained in this letter was received from [redacted] Atomic Energy Commission, and [redacted], Air Material Command, United States Army, who is the principal army technician at the Nuclear Energy for the Propulsion of Aircraft Research Center at Oak Ridge, Tennessee. b7c

[redacted] advised that the attached photographs were taken by [redacted] in July of 1947. He stated that interview with [redacted] revealed that he had been snapping photographs of his family in front of his residence at [redacted] Oak Ridge, Tennessee, late in the afternoon, when he looked into the sky and observed the vapor trail as exhibited by the photograph numbered "1." [redacted] stated that he took a snap of this trail, was winding the film to the next number, when he looked into the sky and observed the ball of fire as shown in photograph 2. Upon observing the unusual phenomena, he used his last film in taking photograph #2. [redacted] made these photographs available to reporters of the Knoxville News-Sentinel and a story concerning them was run in that paper; however, as shown by the photostatic copy of the newspaper clipping, which is also being submitted herewith to the Bureau, the print was very indistinct; the news story did not contain any factual information; and it was regarded generally by the public at the time as a possible trick. b7c

Later, it was learned by [redacted] that [redacted] had made several copies of this photograph and had distributed them among his acquaintances at Oak Ridge, Tennessee. Upon [redacted] finding that the photographs had received some distribution, he requested [redacted] as Head of the [redacted] to recover as many as possible of the photographs, advise the persons in whose possession they were found to say nothing to anyone concerning them, and to return the said photographs to him for transmission to the United States Air Force Intelligence Service. [redacted] advises that he succeeded in rounding up twenty-four copies of these photographs, and that, according to the statements of [redacted] no more copies were made or distributed. [redacted] further stated that [redacted] had appeared extremely concerned over the matter and seemed to be quite emphatic that the matter should be given no more publicity than was absolutely necessary. [redacted] also advised that he studied the negatives from which the reproductions were made, and they appeared to be authentic in that trick photography should have been apparent, but from the b7c

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negatives certainly did not appear to be the case. It was [redacted] observation that had the negative been "doped" with some sort of chemical, it would have removed the emulsion from the face of the film in such a way that the negative would have been thin at the point which is supposedly a ball of fire, whereas, in fact, both the vapor trail and the corona of fire are dark on the negative, indicating that it was an actual exposure. It was the opinion of [redacted] that the photographs were, without doubt, authentic. b7c

In accordance with Bureau instructions, no active investigation of this matter was made, but it was deemed advisable to interview [redacted] prior to submitting the photographs to the Bureau.

[redacted] predicated his remarks concerning the "flying saucers" or "mystery missiles" by stating that he knew nothing of an official nature concerning them, other than the fact that they were believed by air force intelligence officials to be man-made missiles, rather than some natural phenomena. It was his further belief that a great deal of information had been compiled concerning these missiles by air force intelligence, and that research on the matter was being extensively done at Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio. He also expressed the opinion that information at the disposal of the United States Army Air Force Intelligence had, in all probability, been made available to the Bureau at Washington, D. C. b7c

[redacted] then continued with his own ideas as to what might be the nature of these discs, which ideas he had formulated through review of those known facts and theoretical conjectures of himself and other scientists concerning the nature of flying discs and methods of propulsion for such type of aerial mechanism. According to him, flying discs have long been a theoretical possibility and, in fact, a possibility which would indicate one of the best means by which to break through the barriers of the supersonic area. Scientists have, for many years, been attempting to develop this type of aircraft. Some experimentation has been done even in the United States, but insofar as is known in the United States at the present time, there have never been any practical developments. As a second factor of consideration, [redacted] stated that insofar as is known to U. S. scientists at this time, there is no known chemical fuel which would make possible tremendous range of flight such as is ascribed to the reported "flying saucers." There is only ~~the~~ possible fuel which could be utilized which is in accord with present theory, and that is the utilization of atomic energy. As further evidence of this possible means of propulsion, [redacted] called attention to the vapor trail and gaseous corona described as a ball of fire, which he states might give some evidence to the fact that a radio-active field is present. He explained that the corona, or exhaust, has what appears to be layers of intensity which are circular rather than elongated and have no tendency to trail ~~at~~ the extremities, as would be the case if a normal type of exhaust from a combustion engine was being utilized in the propulsion of these aircraft. He continued that the vapor trail left by the missile appears to be one single line of uniform intensity which is extremely slow in dissipating. It was pointed out by him that in the case of a normal b7c

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vapor trail being left by an aircraft moving at extremely high speeds or extremely high altitudes, the vapor trail usually will be from the wing tips and/or the exhaust of the engines, thus presenting several lines. But, in any event, even though only one line were visible, it would be rather quick to dissipate. This indicated to him that the vapor trail represents some atmospheric change along the path of the missile, which would not be the case were it any presently known type of aircraft.

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He continued that information furnished by him should be treated with the utmost confidence, in that he was not speaking officially, but as a personal matter of cooperation. He stated that the matter was being given absolutely no dissemination by the air force or other military personnel, and that they had not deemed it advisable to advise him of all information pertaining to the missile. He continued, however, that in his conversation with representatives at Wright Field and in reading reports returned to this country by foreign agents, he had gathered together certain information which might be of assistance in determining whether or not these so-called missiles were authentic, usable and of danger to the United States. First, he pointed out that knowledge of such a possible aircraft is not by any means new, it having been known as early as four years ago that some type of flying disc was being experimented with by the Russians. In addition thereto, he stated that more recent reports have been received from representatives of the Central Intelligence Agency in Southern Europe and Southern Asia to the effect that the Russians were experimenting with some type of radical aircraft or guided missile which could be dispatched for great distances out over the sea, made to turn in flight and return to the base from which it was launched. This fact was extremely worthy of notice as experiments in this country have so far only developed to the point where we are concerned with delivering a missile to the required point of impact, and no consideration has been given to imparting to that missile the ability to return. Secondly, he stated that it is a known fact that the Russians are attempting to develop some type of nuclear energy, that they received a wealth of information concerning nuclear energy at the time of their occupation in Germany, and that they too have at their disposal the limited supply of the necessary fissionable materials. He stated that insofar as any opinion as to whether or not they have the ability and scientific knowledge to create such a nuclear-propelled missile is strictly a matter of conjecture, and that he would hesitate to make any definite statement. He pointed out, however, that the Russians have some very capable scientists in the field of atomic energy and that, in addition thereto, they took into their custody some of the most advanced and capable scientists of the German Nation.

He also stated that a peculiar fact concerning the missiles exists from reports he has received which is worthy of notice, and that is that from all appearances, they usually approach the United States from a northerly direction and have been reported as returning in a northerly direction. None have ever been known to crash, collide or disintegrate over American soil, but it would appear that they come to the United States, cruise around, and go back over the North Pole. He states that insofar as is known to him, there has never been any piece of one recovered from any source whatever in order that analytical study of its nature could be made. Insofar as was known to him, the only actual material which would be of any value in determining its nature are telephoto photographs which are now in the possession of engineers at Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio. How detailed and how clear these photographs are, he was unable to state. He stated that one report has been received concerning a collision of these missiles with another type of aircraft. This report, according to him, took place a short time prior to the report of numerous discs over the United States, and the report emanated from Czechoslovakia. This report was that a Czechoslovakian transport had collided with some unidentified missile while in mid-air over the ocean, and that said missile and said transport had been completely disintegrated without recovery of parts or survivors from either. It was the belief of [redacted] that this undescribed missile was perhaps the same type of thing as the flying saucer. Another factor of notice, according to [redacted], and as is portrayed by the photographs, it would appear that the missiles can be maintained at a certain altitude above the contour of the ground. This could be done by means of some type of radio altimeter or radio control. Naturally, the path of the missile is not in exact parallel to the contour, as its purported great speed would create considerable lag in its flight. Another factor which is worthy of note, according to [redacted] is that it is normally reported as being seen at tremendously high altitudes and always traveling in a straight line. He stated that he himself observed, on one occasion, a single vapor trail coming from some type of aircraft at unbelievably high altitudes, which vapor trail extended from horizon to horizon in a perfectly straight line. He observed the vapor trail while it was in the process of formation and states that it was completely unlike any vapor trail he had ever observed before in all of his experience with the air force. It was his judgment that whatever created the vapor trail was traveling at an unbelievably tremendous speed. This, together with reports that when close to the ground, the missile travels at speeds which make possible visual observation of its actions, would reflect that there is some ability to control the speed of these missiles as well as the altitude.

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[redacted] concluded that this matter, while still purely a matter of guesswork, is nevertheless a source of great concern to the military establishment of this country. Great efforts have been expended by the service to determine just what the nature of these missiles might be and, upon so determining, decide whether or not an adequate defense can be established. He also stated that it has given impetus to the research being done by the air force in their own program of nuclear energy for the propulsion of aircraft to develop guided missiles. He also advised that insofar as was known to him, there was absolutely no connection between these missiles and the fact that they were observed close to Oak Ridge, Tennessee. He stated that this was perhaps, and probably, a matter of coincidence and they were seen in this area merely as they were seen in forty-six of the forty-eight states of the United States during the Month of July when so many reports were being received.

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This information is being submitted to the Bureau for whatever value it may be, and no further action in the matter is being contemplated by this office, unless advised to the contrary.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. D. M. LADD

DATE: December 28, 1948

FROM : [redacted] b7C

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS

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Reference is made to the teletype of December 28, 1948, from the Houston Office.

At 3:30 p.m., I called SAC Hood of the Los Angeles Office and instructed that he attempt to locate Mr. [redacted] and Mr. and Mrs. [redacted] secure photographs and film in their possession and also secure from them the location of the described flying disc. I also instructed that Mr. Hood send out sufficient Agents to find the disc and guard it until it could be properly handled by the appropriate Government authority. I also telephoned the Houston Office and told them to send in the photographs or film in their possession, together with the part which had been recovered from the machine by the Informant Noack.

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At 5:00 p.m., SAC Hood called back and stated that all work on this matter should be immediately discontinued. They had managed to reach Mr. [redacted] and he stated that he knew all about this matter; that it was not a flying disc, but an object which had been identified as a tow kite, which has a disc center and wings. This kite is actually made in Los Angeles by the [redacted] Manufacturing Company. A call was made to [redacted] who admitted making a kite along the lines described by [redacted] and they explained that they had tried to fly it and it had failed and they had abandoned it.

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Mr. Hood stated he did not have full details at the time of his call, but he did have this report from the Agents. Therefore, I instructed that he call Mr. [redacted] of the Houston Office immediately in order that the film and the part available to the Houston Office will not be forwarded for Laboratory examination.

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DIRECTOR ROUTINE

FLYING DISK, [redacted] COMPLAINANT. RE TELETYPES FROM HOUSTON AND LA TWENTYEIGHTH INSTANT. ~~THREE XXX~~ THREE PARTS OF SUBJECT DESCRIBED BY [redacted]ECURED FROM [redacted] LA AND EXHIBITED TO [redacted] MANUFACTURING COMPANY, [redacted] LA. [redacted]POSITIVELY IDENTIFIED THESE PARTS AS COMING FROM A MODEL TOW TARGET CONSTRUCTED BY [redacted] AVE., LA. ONE PART BEING STAMPED [redacted] ~~XXXXXX~~ [redacted] TOW TARGET WAS TESTED BY [redacted] AIRPLANE OVER [redacted] AIRFIELD NEAR HELENDALE, CALIF. THE TEST WAS A FAILURE, THE TARGET CRASHED AND WAS ABANDONED AT THE AIRFIELD. NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED AND THE THREE ITEMS SECURED FROM [redacted] WILL BE RETURNED TO HIM UNLESS BUREAU ADVISES TO ~~CONTRARY~~ CONTRARY. REPORT WILL BE SUBMITTED.

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DIRECTOR, SACS CINCINNATI AND LOS ANGELES URGENT

ATTENTION INSPECTOR [redacted]

~~FLYING DISK~~ DISCS. [redacted], COMPLAINANT. COMPLAINANT RESIDING [redacted] HOUSTON, CONTACTED THIS OFFICE DECEMBER TWENTY SEVENTH ON CAPTIONED MATTER AND IN SIGNED STATEMENT TODAY SUBMITTED THE FOLLOWING. [redacted] EMPLOYED AS A MACHINIST BY [redacted], HOUSTON, LEFT HOUSTON BY COMMERCIAL AIRLINE DECEMBER FIFTH LAST ON BUSINESS FOR HOLLYWOOD, CALIF. ON MONDAY, DECEMBER SIXTH, CONTACTED [redacted] BLVD., LA., AN ACQUAINTANCE, WHO REMARKED OF HAVING SEEN ON THAT DATE, SOME DISTANCE FROM HOLLYWOOD IN A DESERT AREA, WHAT APPEARED TO BE A FLYING DISK. [redacted] OPERATES [redacted], LA., [redacted] ON DECEMBER SEVENTH, [redacted] AND MR. AND MRS. [redacted] SOUTH PASADENA, CALIF., DEPARTED BY PRIVATELY OWNED AUTOMOBILE IN SEARCH OF DISK. SAME LOCATED APPROXIMATELY ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY MILES NORTHEAST OF PASADENA AND ABOUT TWENTY MILES NORTHEAST OF LONE PINE, CALIF. [redacted] TOOK PHOTOGRAPHS OF DISK WITH MOVIE AND SPEEDGRAPHIC CAMERAS. THE [redacted] FILM WAS EIGHT MILLEMETERS IN SIZE AND CAMERA MADE BY REVERE. DISK LOCATED DESERT AREA NEAR NINE HUNDRED ACRES OF LAND OWNED BY PERSON AS PRIVATE AIRFIELD. [redacted] HAD HIS FILM DEVELOPED BY EASTMAN KODAK COMPANY AT UNKNOWN ADDRESS LOS PALMAS ST., LA.

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THESE FILMS RECEIVED [redacted] HOUSTON, BY MAIL DECEMBER TWENTY THIRD LAST. FILM SHOWS DISK TO BE APPROXIMATELY SEVEN FEET IN DIAMETER AND APPROXIMATELY TWO FEET THICK IN MIDDLE WITH FEATHER EDGE ON RIM. ABUTTING SAUCER IN MIDDLE AND ON BOTH SIDES ARE FOUR FOOT WINGS RESEMBLING CONVENTIONAL AIRPLANE TYPE. NO MARKINGS, NO RADIO, AND APPEARED TO HAVE LANDED AT GREAT SPEED. DISK IN COMPARATIVELY GOOD CONDITION. THE ENDS OF BOTH WINGS HAD ATTACHED A SMALL ALUMINUM CYLINDER APPARENTLY FOR JET PROPULSION. ONE OF THESE CYLINDERS OBTAINED BY [redacted] AS SOUVENIR AND CURRENTLY IN POSSESION OF THIS OFFICE. FILM SIMILARLY MAINTAINED. SA [redacted], OSI REPRESENTATIVE, ELLINGTON FIELD, TEXAS, NOTIFIED DECEMBER TWENTY SEVENTH. [redacted] FILM EXHIBITED THIS OFFICE INSTANT DATE AND SHOWS DISK IN ALL POSITIONS AND ARE AUTHENTIC. MR. [redacted] OSI, ON DECEMBER TWENTY EIGHTH NOTIFIED DISTRICT COMMANDER, FIFTH OSI DISTRICT, WRIGHT FIELD, DAYTON, OHIO. SAC R. B. HOOD, LA., NOTIFIED TELEPHONICALLY OF ABOVE INFORMATION WITH REQUEST THAT HE MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH [redacted] IN ORDER THAT BUREAU AGENTS MAY ASSIST OR ACCOMPANY OSI REPRESENTATIVES IN ACTUALLY OBSERVING AND RETRIEVING FLYING DISK. THIS ACTION TAKEN PER BUREAU INSTRUCTIONS. NO FACILITIES AVAILABLE HOUSTON FOR REPRODUCING MOVIE FILM OF [redacted] HOWEVER, STILL SHOTS CAN BE DEVELOPED BY COMPETENT

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COMMERCIAL REPRESENTATIVES. ACTION TO BE TAKEN BY OSI, DAYTON, OHIO, NOT KNOWN AT THIS MOMENT AND IT IS POSSIBLE THEY MAY DESIRE FILM FOR REPRODUCTION THEIR FACILITIES THERE. IF BUREAU DESIRES LA OFFICE TO OBTAIN FROM [redacted] THEIR FILM AND NEGATIVES, THIS MIGHT BE CONSIDERED. PICTURES TAKEN BY PERSON WITH FOUR BY FIVE SPEEDGRAPHIC CAMERA AND THZSE PICTURES SHOULD BE READILY AVAILABLE. [redacted] FILM AND PART OF JET PROPULSION WING TIP BEING MAINTAINED HOUSTON AWAITING SUGGESTED DISPOSITION AND HANDLING BY EITHER BUREAU OR OSI. CINCINNATI OFFICE BEING MADE COGNIZANT TO COVER POSSIBILITY THAT BUREAU MAY DIRECT LIAISON WITH OSI, DAYTON. AMSD LETTER FOLLOWS TO BUREAU AND INTERESTED OFFICES ENCLOSING SIGNED STATEMENT OF [redacted]

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. D. M. LADD

DATE: December 28, 1948

FROM : [redacted] b7c

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS

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Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
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Mr. Egan
Mr. Gurnea
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Mr. Nease
Miss Holmes
Miss Gandy

At 10:00 a.m. today, SAC Willis, Houston, called in and stated that [redacted] a business man in Houston, Texas, had furnished certain pictures taken by a friend of his, [redacted] of the [redacted] [redacted] Houston, Texas, and had related that [redacted] had been flying with a friend in a private plane from California to Houston and that at a point about 30 miles east of Lone Pine, California, some object lying on the ground made a very strong reflection and they made a check to determine what would cause this bright reflection. They finally landed the plane and found an object which could be described as being 8' in diameter with wings about 4' long. The object is about 1' in thickness and in the center there appears to be some type of gyroscope. The wings apparently are fitted with some type of jet propulsion. An examination was made by [redacted] and his friend and they could find no identifying marks and took photographs of the object they observed.

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SAC Willis stated he had informed Lieutenant [redacted] of the AAF, Ellington Field, and [redacted] the Army representative in Houston, of this object and that [redacted] would be interviewed that morning in the Houston Office with Lieutenant [redacted] being present. Lieutenant [redacted] wanted the statements of [redacted] taken down by a stenographer and he will furnish the stenographer for that purpose.

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I instructed SAC Willis to furnish complete details of this matter by air mail special delivery, including a copy of the photograph. I further instructed that he furnish the same details to the proper field office because unquestionably the Bureau would want to run this thing out.

After talking with you, I phoned SAC Willis back and told him to insure the presence of a Bureau Agent at the time this object was examined by the Army Air Forces and that he should make proper arrangements with the office in California to see that an Agent was present. I also told him to advise me of the developments.

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ATTENTION INSPECTOR [redacted] [redacted]

FLYING DISK, [redacted] COMPLAINT. RE HOUSTON TELETYPE DEC. TWENTY EIGHT. MR. [redacted], [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] LA, PRESENTLY IN ARIZONA, EXACT WHEREABOUTS UNKNOWN TO HIS OFFICE, EXPECTED TO CALL MORNING OF DEC. TWENTY NINE. [redacted] [redacted] MANUFACTURING COMPANY, SOUTH PASADENA, CALIF. ADVISED HE AND [redacted] PURCHASED AIRPORT IN MOJAVE DESERT NEAR HELENDALE, CALIF. STATED THAT IN EARLY PART OF DEC. EXACT DATE UNKNOWN, [redacted] ADVISED HIM HE HAD FOUND A FLYING DISK ON THEIR AIRPORT. [redacted], AND [redacted]OCEEDED TO AIRPORT WHERE THEY LOCATED DISK, TOOK PICTURES OF IT AND REMOVED PORTIONS OF DISK, [redacted] RETAINING SOME PARTS AND [redacted] KEEPING SOME PORTIONS WHICH ARE STILL IN HIS POSSESSION. [redacted] ADVISED THAT DAY AFTER LOCATING THE DISK AN EMPLOYEE OBSERVED PARTS RETAINED BY [redacted], AND STATED HE BELIEVED THE OBJECT HAD BEEN MANUFACTURED BY [redacted] LA. [redacted] STATED HE THEN CONTACTED [redacted] AN[redacted] WHO STATED THEY WERE FINANCING [redacted] LA IN DEVELOPING A KITE FOR SALE ON OPEN MARKET AS A TOY. [redacted] STATED HE HAD PREVIOUSLY GIVEN [redacted] PERSMISSION TO USE HIS PRIVATE AIRPORT AT ANY TIME. [redacted] TOLD [redacted] THEY HAD TAKEN EXPERIMENTAL KITES TO [redacted]

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AIRPORT AND UPON DETERMING KITES NOT PRACTICAL HAD ABANDONED THE PROJEC [redacted] STATED HE HAD TAKEN SIXTEEN MM PICTURES WHICH ARE PRESENTLY BEING DEVELOPED. STATED WOULD MAKE PICTURES AND PARTS FROM OBJECT AVAILABLE TO THIS OFFICE. [redacted] DESCRIBED OBJECT AS APPROXIMATELY SIX FEET IN DIAMETER, CONSISTING OF DISK MOUNTED ON AXEL WITH BEARINGS, WINGS ON EITHER SIDE, TAIL SURFACE SUPPORTED ON BOOMS, CUP MOUNTED ON EACH WING TIP RESEMBLING ROCKET POWER CONTAINERS. [redacted] STATED DID NOT OBSERVE ANY CHEMICAL OR OTHER MATTERIAL IN CONTAINERS WHICH COULD BE USED AS SELF PROPELLING FORCE. MR. [redacted] MANUFACTURING COMPANY ADVISED [redacted] FINANCED BY THEIR COMPAN IN DEVELOPING TOY KITE, THAT [redacted] HAD PROACHED IDEA OF MAKING LARGE MODEL TO BE USED AS TOW TARGET FOR AIRPLANES BUT [redacted] DECIDED THAT HE MAKE ONLY KITE SUITABLE FOR SALE AS TOYS. [redacted] HOWEVER, [redacted] MADE LARGE MODEL APPROXIMATELY SIX FEET IN DIAMETER, WEIGHING FIFTY POUNDS, WHICH TOGETHER WITH OTHER MODEL HAD BEEN FLOWN IN DC THREE OWNED BY [redacted] TO PRIVATE AIRPORT OF [redacted] [redacted] AND [redacted] COULD NOT RECALL EXACT DATE, BUT [redacted] STATED [redacted] IT WAS IN EARLY PART OF DEC. [redacted] STATED DIFFICULTIES ENCOUNTERED IN FLIGHT OF KITE, AND THAT IN VIEW OF SIZE OF LARGE MODEL IT WAS NECESSARY TO TOW IT BEHIND PLANE TO OBSERVE FLIGHT. STATED MODEL CRASHED AND [redacted] AND [redacted] ABANDONED EXPERIMENT LEAVING AIRPORT WITH [redacted] REMAINING BEHIND TO CONDUCT FURTHER EXPERIMENTS. [redacted] STATED DID NOT KNOW THAT WOLFERT HAD LEFT THE LARGE MODEL AT THIS AIRPORT UNTIL ADVISED BY [redacted]

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THAT THEY HAD FOUND THE OBJECT. CONTACT WILL BE MADE WITH [redacted] b7C

AND [redacted], TO SECURE PHOTOGRAPHS AND SAMPLES. BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED

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Valley City, North Dakota

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Dear [redacted] b7c

Your letter dated October 15, 1948, has been received and I do want to thank you for the patriotic motives which prompted you to make available your thoughts concerning the subject you mentioned.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Valley City, N.D.
Oct. 15, 1948

F.B.I.
Washington, D.C.
Dear Sir:

I trust that whoever reads this will do more than just toss it in a waste basket!

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of Di. course, army officials from out of state were immediately flown up to investigate the phenomena — so I read in the newspaper under an Associated press heading.

Now couldn't that be just what the Russians wanted? An accurate account of where these "whatever they are" that "maybe they send out"

My contention may or may not be possible or probable - but I, as an intelligent American citizen of 39, believe I have a point to make.

An incident occurred at the Fargo, N.D., airport about two weeks ago, that of a flier discovering a flying object in the air following it in his plane but not being able to either identify it or see it come to the end

after us? We've been
playing into their hands
until about a year ago —
why wouldn't they think
we'd do this for them —
print the news for their
agents to check! This is
the fifth time I've read
of such an incident — first
time in N.D. however —
and the first time a plane
had been in pursuit.

Could not the
"freedom of the press" be
sacrificed on such occasions,
for the protection of the
"free" as we still are?

Sincerely yours,
Mrs [redacted]

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INGTON, D. C.

Date October 7, 1948 Case References 62-83894; Project "SIGN"

Examination of Soil

Consigned to: Commanding General
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Dayton, Ohio Attention: MCIAXO-3

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REPORT
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON D. C.

To: October 7, 1948

Commanding General
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Wright-Patterson AF Base
Dayton, Ohio Attention: MCIAXO-3

There follows the report of the FBI Laboratory on the examination of evidence received from your office on September 17, 1948. J. E. Hoover

Re: John Edgar Hoover, Director

YOUR FILE NO.
FBI FILE NO.
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Ex: Project "SIGN"
Examination of Soil

Reference:

Examination requested: RECORDED - 98 62-83894 -146
PC-23142 CO

Specimens: Addressee

Letter dated September 9, 1948

Microscopic (Petrographic-Geologic)

Q1 Sample of soil.

Results of Examination:

The sample of soil designated as specimen Q1 consisted of various sized pebbles, sand and dirt. This material was examined for the presence of unusual elements or alloys adhering to the surface of the particles, evidence of intense heat and radioactive substances.

Nothing unusual was noted on the pebbles or in the sand and dirt that would indicate a metallic object had rubbed or scraped against this sample. No abnormality was noted in the structure of the various pebbles and rocks, nor was there any indication of extreme heat or the presence of radioactive substances.

The specimen designated as Q1 will be returned to your office under separate cover by registered mail.

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Re: Project "SIGN"
Examination of Soil.

File # 95x 62-83894-146
Lab. # PC-23142 CO

Examination requested by: Commanding General, Air Materiel Command, Wright-Patters
XXX AF Base, Dayton, Ohio Attention: MCIAXO-3

Date of reference communication: letter 9/9 **Date received:** 9/17
Evid. 9/14 Reg.1171535

Examination requested: Micro (Petrographic-Geologic)

Result of Examination: **Examination by:** [redacted] b7C

9/30/48

Specimens submitted for examination

Q1, Sample of soil.

Consisted of various sized pebbles, sand & dirt. Most of the larger pieces were examined individually for presence of metal adhering to them. Nothing unusual noted on the pebbles or in the sand & dirt - structure, normal. No indication of extreme heat. Does not activate Geiger counter on X-Ray spectrometer.

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HEADQUARTERS
AIR MATERIEL COMMAND

IN REPLY ADDRESS BOTH COMMUNICATION AND ENVELOPE TO COMMANDING GENERAL, AIR MATERIEL COMMAND, ATTENTION FOLLOWING OFFICE SYMBOL:

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Wright-Patterson AF Base
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9 September 1948

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Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.
ATTN: FBI Laboratory

SUBJECT: Project "SIGN"

Gentlemen:

Accompanying this letter is a small sample of soil. This soil was taken from a depression reputed to have been caused by a "flying saucer" described as being approximately two feet in diameter and one foot thick which supposedly settled gently to the ground, rebounded to a height of about twenty feet and then continued on its journey. Although the declivity was immediately covered by a large washtub a heavy rain subsequently filled the depression about one/third full of water before any sample of dirt could be taken.

In an effort to approach this incident objectively to determine every possible clue, it has been deemed advisable to have this soil sample analyzed and tested. Upon inquiry, your Dayton representative stated that the FBI Laboratory would accomplish the required tests.

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It is the desire of this Headquarters to ascertain, in particular, if there are traces of unusual elements or alloys adhering to the surface of the particles, or if any abnormality in structure exists showing that the soil was subjected to intense heat, gases or radio-active substances, etc. Unfortunately, in this regard, no one thought to forward a sample of the soil surrounding the depression so no comparison of soils can be made at this time. Should the subsequent test show anything unusual some arrangement could be made to procure some of the surrounding soil so that a comparative analysis could be made. The accompanying sample has not been tested by any other agency, nor will it be.

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Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

9 Sept 1948

In the event the tests show nothing warranting further investigation you may dispose of the sample. The report should be addressed to this Command marked for the attention of MCIAXO-3. This Division will appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

Very truly yours,

James J Hausman
for
W. R. CLINGERMAN Lt Col USAF
Colonel, USAF
Chief, Technical Intelligence
Division
Intelligence Department

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REPORT
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON D. C.

October 7, 1948

To:

Commanding General
Air Materiel Command
Wright-Patterson AF Base
Dayton, Ohio

Attention: MCIAXO-3

There follows the report of the FBI Laboratory on the examination of evidence received from your office on September 17, 1948.

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

Re:

YOUR FILE NO.
FBI FILE NO.
LAB. NO.

Re: ~~Project "SIGN"~~
Examination of Soil

Reference:

RECORDED - 98 62-83894 -146
PC-23142 CO

Examination requested:

Specimens:

Addressee

Letter dated September 9, 1948

Microscopic (Petrographic-Geologic)

Q1 Sample of soil.

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Re: Project "SIGN"
Examination of Soil.

File # 62-83894-146
Lab. # PC-23142 CO

Examination requested by: Commanding General, Air Materiel Command, Wright-Patterso
AF Base, Dayton, Ohio   Attention: MCIAXO-3

Date of reference communication: letter 9/9

Date received: 9/17
Evid. 9/14 Reg.1171535

Examination requested: Micro (Petrographic-Geologic)

Result of Examination:

Examination by: [redacted]

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Examination requested: Micro (Petrographic-Geologic)

Result of Examination: Examination by: [redacted] b7C

Returned 10/18/48 Reg. Mail.

Specimens submitted for examination

Q1, Sample of soil.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Post Office Box 1850
Atlanta 1, Georgia
August 10, 1948

AIRMAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY

Director, FBI

RE: [redacted] b7c
INFORMATION CONCERNING
FLYING DISCS

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith for the Bureau's information are copies of a letter, together with enclosure, from the above captioned individual. Inasmuch as there is no record in this office concerning captioned person, no reply has been made to instant letter, with the thought the Bureau may desire to acknowledge instant communication or communicate further concerning the matter with the Dallas Office.

For the information of the Bureau and the Dallas and San Antonio Offices, the clippings referred to are transmitted herewith to the Bureau, Dallas and San Antonio Offices, it being noted that Wichita Falls is covered by Dallas and Fort Sam Houston is covered by the San Antonio Office.

Very truly yours,

Edwin J. Foltz

EDWIN J. FOLTZ
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United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

April 1, 1948

The Honorable J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Thank you very much for forwarding Mr. [redacted] letter to the proper authorities. Your cooperation in this instance was deeply appreciated.

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Cordially yours

Kenneth S. Wherry

KENNETH S. WHERRY

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March 24, 1948

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Mr. [redacted] b7C
Benkelman, Nebraska

Dear [redacted] b7C

Your letter dated March 14, 1948, to the Honorable Kenneth S. Wherry, United States Senator, has been referred to me for attention. Since the matter you mentioned is not within the scope of authority of this Bureau, I have taken the liberty of furnishing a copy of your communication to the Secretary of the Army, National Defense Building, Washington, D. C., and in the event you have any additional information, it is suggested you may desire to communicate with him.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

CC: Senator Wherry - Under separate cover.

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[illegible] Wherry
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

My dear Senator:

Your letter of March 22, 1948, with enclosure, has been received. Since the subject matter mentioned in your constituent's letter is not within the scope of authority of this Bureau, I have taken the liberty of forwarding a copy of his letter and yours to the Secretary of the Army, National Defense Building, Washington, D. C., for his information. Your thoughtfulness in bringing this to my attention is indeed appreciated. I am enclosing a copy of my letter to Mr. [redacted] which I thought you might like to have for your files, together with his letter.

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With expressions of my highest esteem and best regards,

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Enclosure
Incoming from [redacted] and copy of our letter to him.
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United States Senate
COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

March 22, 1948

Honorable J. Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Department of Justice
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Attached you will find letter which may or may not be of interest to your office. However, I felt it should be passed on to you for whatever the information is worth.

Kindly return my constituent's letter although if you wish you make a copy of it.

Cordially yours,

Kenneth S. Wherry
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Benkelman, Nebraska
March 14, 1948

Mr. Kenneth Wherry
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Wherry:

On March 13 at 2:30, M.S.T. o'clock in the afternoon I witnessed a strange sight in the sky traveling at a very high rate of speed at a very high altitude.

I was first attracted to this sight by a noise of motor or whatever it was. It sound__ to me like that of a train rumbling in the distance of from 10 to 12 miles on a still day.

At first glance it looked like it might be a vapor trail left by a high flying plane. But the white streak that was in the sky never changed its shape or did it change in the direction of travel.

It traveled much faster than any plane I have seen traveling in sky high enough to leave vapor trail.

As near as I can describe this sight was that it might appear to be a stream lined train traveling at a very high altitude at very high rate of speed.

This rocket or whatever it might have been was high enough to disappear from sight while it was yet very far above the horizon.

I am not writing this so that it might seem to be another disc, fan or whatever you might call them. I just saw this and it has been on my mind and I thought if there was anything that I could be of help to solve this thing I would write this to you and you can forward this to the proper Dept. if it is necessary. Thanking you kindly

Yours Truly

[redacted]

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P.S.
This object was traveling from east to west. It looked like it might have traveled over Denver,

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Colo. or a little to the south.

I live almost due east about 180 mi. by air and I looked to the south a little to be able to get sight of object.

This object was also witnessed by my son who was with me at the time.

I saw the smoke cloud left by so called meteor which exploded over at Norton Kans. This object was not a bright ball of fire like it was.

The silver streak in the sky traveled as if it were a long connected streak. This did not resemble a line of smoke left by a train traveling along it moved altogether as a unit. If it is not against any regulation and if possible would like to have answer to this object.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. D. M. Ladd

FROM : [redacted]

DATE: February 19, 1948

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS
SECURITY MATTER - X

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The attached letter from the San Francisco Field Division dated February 12, 1948, raises the question as to whether there has been a change in policy concerning the investigation of flying discs.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the information contained in the attached letter be discussed by the Liaison Section with the Air Forces.

ACTION:

A letter is attached to San Francisco advising them that there has been no change in Bureau policy.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Ladd

FROM : [redacted] b7c

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS
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DATE: 3/1/48

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Reference is made to a memorandum to you from Mr. [redacted] in the above-captioned matter dated February 19, 1948. The memorandum indicated that the San Francisco Field Division had received a letter from the headquarters of the Air Defense Command, Mitchel Air Force Base, New York, dated February 4, 1948, entitled, "Investigation and Reporting of 'Flying Disc' Incidents." This communication indicated that investigations should be coordinated with the FBI.

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The Agent in Charge of the San Francisco Field Division inquired as to a change in policy regarding the investigation of flying discs. A letter was forwarded to San Francisco advising them that there had been no change in the Bureau's policy. This matter has been discussed by Special Agent [redacted] of the Liaison Section with Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] of the Intelligence Division of the Air Force. Colonel [redacted] advised Mr. [redacted] that apparently the Air Defense Command at Mitchel Field was not aware of the fact that the Bureau was no longer conducting investigations regarding flying discs. He stated that he would take the necessary action and straighten out the Air Defense Command as to the present policy regarding incidents of flying discs.

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SAC, San Francisco

February 20, 1948

Director, FBI

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RECORDED FLYING DISCS
SECURITY MATTER - X

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Reference is made to your letter in the captioned matter dated February 12, 1948.

You are advised that Bureau Bulletin No. 57 dated October 1, 1947, still applies with respect to flying discs. The Bureau is conducting no investigations concerning flying discs. We will, however, give the Air Forces any information which comes to our attention and will receive any information which the Air Forces volunteer.

The Headquarters of the Air Forces in Washington are being contacted by the Bureau in order to insure that there is no misunderstanding as to the Bureau's position in this matter.

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United States Department of Justice
San Francisco 2, California
February 12, 1948

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Director, FBI - Attention: Assistant Director D. M. LADD

Re: FLYING DISCS
Security Matter - X

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting herewith for the information of the Bureau copies of an enclosure dated February 4, 1948 received from Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] A-2, United States Air Force, Hamilton Air Force Base, California. This enclosure is a confidential letter addressed to the Commanding Generals of the First, Second, Fourth, Tenth, Eleventh, and Fourteenth Air Forces, Air Defense Command, from Headquarters, Air Defense Command, Mitchel Air Force Base, New York, by command of Lieutenant General STRATEMEYER. It concerns the investigation of flying discs by Air Force personnel.

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Your attention is particularly called to Paragraph 2, which indicates that certain reports concerning the investigation of flying discs by Air Force Intelligence will be reported to the FBI office concerned. Your attention is further called to Paragraph 2-B, which indicates that "investigations will be coordinated with the FBI Office concerned........" [redacted]

Inasmuch as these recent instructions of the Headquarters, Air Defense Command, Mitchell Air Force Base, New York, are contrary to the instructions contained in Bureau Bulletin No. 57, Series 1947, dated October 1, 1947, in which it is indicated that all future reports connected with flying discs should be referred to the Air Force and no investigative action taken by Bureau agents, the Bureau is requested to advise this office, as well as other interested Bureau offices, as to whether there has been a change in Bureau policy with reference to the handling of such matters or whether Bureau Bulletin No. 57 dated October 1, 1947 is still in effect.

Very truly yours,

Harry M. Kimball

HARRY M. KIMBALL, SAC

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Headquarters
Air Defense Command
Mitchel Air Force Base, New York

4 February 1948

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SUBJECT: Investigation and Reporting of "Flying Disc" Incidents

TO: Commanding Generals, First, Second, Fourth, Tenth, Eleventh, and Fourteenth Air Forces, Air Defense Command
ATTN: AC of S, A-2

1. The numbered air forces of this command are responsible for the prompt investigation and reporting of incidents relating to "flying discs" which occur within their respective areas. Numbered air force A-2s, after evaluating disc incidents, will determine the extent of investigation. Futile expenditure of military funds and manpower must be avoided.

2. "Flying discs" will be investigated as provided for in Counter Intelligence Incident Cases, taking cognizance of the USAF Operating Intelligence Echelon structure. Where it is evident that witnesses, who were together at the time of incident but who are widely separated at the time of investigation would corroborate each other's story, only one witness need be interrogated. If there is a reasonable indication that a reported incident is a hoax or the fabrication of a publicity seeking individual, no further investigative effort will be expended. However, a report of such circumstances will be submitted to the FBI office concerned.

a. CIC personnel attached to the numbered air forces of this command may be utilized to prosecute the investigation of subject incidents.

b. Investigations will be coordinated with the FBI Office concerned in accordance with instructions contained in letter, this headquarters, D 333.3 EX, subject, "Cooperation of FBI with AAF on Investigation of 'Flying Disc' Incidents," 3 September 1947.

3. Reports will be narrative in style and will cover only those facts pertinent to the subject. Where source credibility cannot be established, or when an incident lacks foundation, the report will merely state same. Two types of report will be submitted on all incidents.

a. Spot Reports (fragmentary reports) will be submitted on all incidents and will be followed by a Letter Report.

b. Letter Reports will be submitted to report the completed investigation of all "flying disc" incidents.

4. Reports will be submitted in duplicate promptly, usually be regular mail. However, Spot reports on incidents of substantial character, i. e., those in which the patent credibility of the witness is beyond challenge and whose technical

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backgr[illegible] is compatible with his observations of an occurrence obviously not atmospheric or celestial phenomena, may be transmitted by TWX. Reports will be submitted directly to Headquarters, USAF, ATTN: Directorate of Intelligence, Air Intelligence Requirements Branch. One informational copy of each report submitted will be forwarded to this command, ATTN: AC of S, Intelligence. Reports will be classified at least CONFIDENTIAL.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL STRATEMEYER:

RICHARD W. GEUSS
Captain, USAF
Actg Asst Adj Gen

February 5, 1948

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[redacted] b7C
Covington, Ohio

Dear [redacted] b7C

Your letter dated January 29, 1948, has been received, and I want to express my appreciation to you for having made known your views concerning the matter you mentioned.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Jan 29. 1948.

F. B. I.
Washington D.C.
Dear Sirs:

I have done a lot of thinking about those flying discs ever since your operators called at our home. I have figured out a possible solution that I am passing on to you. If you can see the picture as I see it.

If self propelled bombs were made to travel 200 miles a few years ago, there isn't any reason to believe they could not be made to go 3000 miles today.

If a foreign country were planning to drop a lot of such bombs on our cities, they would want the exact range, and the only way they could get it would be to make some tests. I

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If they were - to drop a bomb here and let it explode, it would cause a lot of excitement, and if they dropped one that didn't explode and some one found it there there would be excitement. So - to avoid this, they pick some point in Lake Erie, let their agents over here, know at what place and time to look for it. If the projectile plunged in the lake, the range finders wouldn't have any way to tell where it dropped, so the projectile must have some sort of tracer. So at a certain distance from the earth some sort of tracer is released, probably something like a pin-wheel fire cracker. It must remain in the sky a while, to give the range finder a fix or what ever you call it. but in order to remain in the sky it must be in motion. So this tracer is made to fly in a circle. Because it was -

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looked like an C ellipse to us: O

The discs were seen in Texas probably dropped in the gulf. As their sight improved they no doubt dropped some in various places. The one that was seen down Tenn. way, was no doubt aimed at some lake close to Fort Knox. Maybe something went wrong with that one, is the reason it was so plainly visible. Owing to the fact that your operators called at our remote home at 8:00 P.M on a Sunday evening and also caution-ed us to keep mum. I know that the F.B.I is doing what they can to get a line on these discs. This may help a little. A few nights ago there was a very bright ring around the moon, when I looked at it thru' the same glasses I could barely see the ring. So this proves that what we saw was something definate.

I think this is serious business. So if this letter helps you in any way. I will be well paid.

Respectfully Yours,
[redacted] b7C
Covington, Ohio
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[redacted] b7c
Menomonee Falls, Wisconsin

Dear [redacted] b7c

Your letter of January 5, 1948, has been received and I want to thank you for forwarding information to me relating to the subject you mentioned. The facts you related, however, do not reflect any violation of a Federal statute within the investigative jurisdiction of the FBI. The thoughts prompting your communication are indeed appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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NOTE: Correspondent reports correspondence she has had with the Ziff-Davis Publishing Company in connection with the "flying saucers" which were observed by her brother. She is of the opinion that this publication may be trying to conceal information related to our Nation's security and she mentions a threat that does not refer injury to person or property.

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January 5, 194

J. Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

On January 2nd I received a letter It is postmarked Cincinnati, Ohio, an it bears no return address. Following is an exact copy of it. I will keep the origin if it is needed at a future date.

[redacted] b7c

In as much as all of you insist on talking and of telling of what you are supposed to be seeing, all of you must be warned. no — not warned in the true sense of the word, but these things are decidedly not supposed to be seen.

Please to not mention anymore.

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Rainbow City
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In the January, 1948 copy of "Amazing
Stories" magazine; published by Ziff-Da
Pub. Co. (one office in Washington, D.C.); my
letter was printed under the heading of "Fly
Saucer Witness" (page 167). Here is a copy of

Sirs:
I have just finished reading the
October issue of "Amazing Stories", in which y
ask for "flying saucer" information.
Here is what I know: On June 28,
1947, at 3:43 P.M. my brother saw the flyin
saucers - about seven to ten of them - which
flew directly over our house. He said they
went like "blue blazes" - didn't make any
noise and were heading approximately So
(Rockfield, where my brother's farm is, is
just 16 miles northwest of Milwaukee). But
what is really strange is that same afterno
the discs were seen over Illinois (they mus
have been the same ones). This informatio
was given on June 29th - Sunday - over WGN -
"The Latest News" at 8 to 8:15 A.M. with Charles
Sebastin. He reported that the discs had been
sighted over Illinois the preceding afterno
Perhaps the information is valueless
to you. At any rate please keep this confident
Our neighbors think we're slightly "queer" i
have seen the discs. (I didn't see them bu
I believe my brother.)
I have been following the Shaver

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does not seem to bound it.
But I am sure you will find
the guilty ones.
Wishes for success from an
American who is proud of her
country [redacted] b7C

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI DATE: November 1, 1947

FROM : SAC, Albany

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS
[redacted]; INFORMANT b7c

Reurlet dated 9/25/47.

An Agent of this office contacted Mr [redacted] at his residence in South Royalton, Vermont and he stated that all the information he has concerning the flying discs he saw, is set forth in the letter that he sent to the Bureau dated September 17, 1947. b7c

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Mr. [redacted] advised that as far as he knows, no one else in South Royalton saw these flying discs, and that he believes he saw them inasmuch as he has unusually good eyesight and that he can see bees, etc. further than anyone else. He stated that possibly these flying discs were out of the range of normal vision. Mr. [redacted] was asked to furnish any additional information that comes to his attention concerning these flying discs directly to the Air Forces since they now handle matters of this type. b7

No further action is being taken by this office.

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TO : Director, FBI DATE: 10/16/47

FROM : SAC, Anchorage

SUBJECT: REPORT OF FLYING DISCS

This is to advise that we have been able to locate a flyer, [redacted], who is employed by the [redacted] Flying Company in Bethel, Alaska. It had been reported to Military Intelligence that [redacted] and his co-pilot [redacted] had observed some flying object near Bethel, Alaska, in July, 1947. Efforts previously to contact Mr. [redacted] were negative until the above instance. b7c

He related that the occasion of seeing the flying object near Bethel was on a July day when the sky was completely clear of clouds, and it being during the early part, it is daylight the entire night. The time of his sighting this flying object was about 10 PM and the sun had just dropped beyond the horizon. Flying weather was extremely good and he, with Mr. [redacted] was coming into the Bethel Airport with a DC-3. He observed the flying object immediately to his left and stated that it apparently was observed at approximately the same time by Mr. [redacted] and both of them manipulated the controls of the plane making efforts to miss the object inasmuch as they could not tell in which direction it was going. They made a forty-five degree turn in order to get out of the way of the object and then noted that it appeared to be going away from them. He described the object as appearing to be some flying wing and said that it appeared to be about the size of a C-54 without any fuselage. He could not see any propellor or any exhaust from jet propulsion or any vapor trails and could not estimate the size due to his failure to be able to estimate the distance he was away from the object. He was flying at 1,000 feet and stated that he tried to catch up with the object and increased his manifold pressure to approximately 42 inches and was traveling at the rate of 170 miles per hour. b7c

He called on his radio to the Civil Aeronautics Administration station at Bethel, asking what aircraft was in the vicinity and they had no reports of any aircraft. The object he sighted was some five or ten miles from the airport before his arrival and stated that the path did not go directly across the airport. He, of course, could not tell whether the object was making any noise and stated that it was flying at a thousand foot altitude and estimated travel at 300 miles per hour. It was traveling in the direction from Bethel to Nome, which is in a northwesterly direction. He noted no radio interference and is unable to describe the color other than that it appeared dark but of definite shape and did not blend into the sky but had a definite, concise outline. Both he and Mr. [redacted] clearly observed the object at this time. b7c

Info to Major Carlin
I.G. Army
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: October 9, 1947

FROM : SAC, PORTLAND

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS
SECURITY MATTER - X.

Reference is made to Portland teletype dated September 13, 1947.

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[redacted] Madison Ave., Portland, advised that he was one of the two officers on duty in District 18 on September 11. The car was in the vicinity of N.E. 25th Avenue and Saratoga Court when [redacted] and his fellow officer noticed a number of people looking upward and pointing. Upon looking at the sky [redacted] observed the very bright reflection of the sun on some object which was apparently made of silvery metal. The object was coming from the east and made a wide turn over the city and disappeared to the south. [redacted] estimated its speed at about 150 miles per hour and its altitude at about 5,000 feet. He watched it for a period of about two minutes and during that time it gradually disappeared in such a manner as to appear that the angle was slowly changing, so that the sun was no longer reflected into [redacted] eyes. He says that the shape appeared to be round but that the glare was so bright that it could have hidden the true outline of the object. There was no oscillation visible - only steady flight. [redacted] believes it was an ordinary metal airplane reflecting light of the afternoon sun. b7C

[redacted] Lincoln St., Portland, Oregon was [redacted] partner in District 18 on September 11. [redacted] states that the object appeared to him to take the same course as that described by [redacted] He pointed out that the speed, height, and size of the object were difficult to judge, because of the interdependence of the three factors. However, he believes that the object when first sighted was about three miles away and about two miles high. He believes it was traveling at a much greater speed than a conventional airplane and was a great deal larger. It appeared to him to be elliptical in shape, and inasmuch as it did not bank or tip he could not judge its thickness. It was of a very bright silver or aluminum substance. b7C

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It may be stated to the Bureau that Mr. [redacted] is a well known flyer as well as Mr. [redacted] and both are known to be very reliable and responsible people, and it appears definite that they observed something.

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The above is being submitted for the information of the Bureau.

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[redacted] advised that he was travelling south on N. Williams Avenue near Russell St., when he and Officer [redacted] his driver, received a call on the police radio requesting District 14 to attempt to observe an unknown object in the sky reported by officers in District 18. [redacted] observed what appeared to be a round silver object, about 10,000 feet high, travelling northeast to southwest. It was directly to [redacted] left when observed first. He thought it was a weather balloon. Further observation convinced him that it could not be a balloon because of its speed which was extremely great. As [redacted] watched, it turned gradually until it was travelling due south, and as it did so, its shape seemed to change until it appeared to be egg-shaped. It disappeared in about 30 seconds.

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[redacted] stated that when he first observed the object it was straight ahead of him and travelling straight away from his car. [redacted] was driving south on N. Williams Avenue. To [redacted] it appeared to be just a glare of sun on some object, and he was unable therefore to tell its shape. It appeared to be very high and travelling extremely fast. It was out of sight after he had travelled 4 or 5 city blocks at a speed of about 25 mph. [redacted] stated that he has never seen an object at such an extreme height before and that if the sun had not reflected from it he could not have seen it at all. He believes it could possibly have been a reflection from a large airplane at great altitude.

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[redacted] N. Fessenden St., Portland stated that he was on duty in District 14 with Officer [redacted] on September 11, 1947 and received the call to watch for the object flying over the city. [redacted] and [redacted] immediately scanned the sky from a vantage point in open territory where they could see the entire sky. They saw nothing in the sky at that time, SHAYLOR stating that they did not even see any airplanes.

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A short article in "The Oregonian", Portland daily newspaper, for September 12, 1947, describes the object as seen by Chief of Police JENKINS and also states that "The Oregonian" received several calls from other persons reporting the object. FRED M. WHITE, Assistant City Editor, advised that the paper has no record of the identities of the people making the calls.

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[redacted] b7C
Menomonee Falls, Wis

(Ed. note) The flying saucers are real, ar
you can be sure of that! Let your neigh
think what they will, in a few months
you will be able to prove how good your
brother's eyesight is! Thanks for your.
report, and we hope many more reader
send them in. Rough drawings would
also be helpful. — Ed.

The editor had asked for letters fro
readers who saw the flying discs, menti
so much in the news. Several times the
editor (Ray A. Palmer) has mentioned in
"Amazing Stories" that he has been threaten

In the same issue (Jan. 1948) on page 16
is a letter from W. C. Hefferlin, following:

Yes, We Remember!

Sirs:

Enclosed is a newspaper clipping, jus
one of many items showing up of like na
Thumb nail sketches.

Remember the article "Circle-Winged Plane
as printed by you in "Amazing Stories" ma
zine, September, 1946, page 157? You have des
facts and confirmation. Now, re-read th
article again, please.

The planes seen at Joliet, Ill, Kan.

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same group o' planes but other groups of
same type, all on a world-wide "mapping expedi

They are only a few of the many belon
ing to a world government consisting of all
oppressed peoples and dominated nations of th
earth, of all colors, races, and creeds.

This government is directed and advise
by an organization headed by "The Ancien
Three, Who were, Who are, Who will be." They
who at one time over a year ago, sent a
message to you by way of us. Their
headquarters is "Rainbow City", Antarctic

Permission is given to print this lette
if desired.

[redacted] b7c
Livingston, Mont.

(Ed. note) We print your letter because it is
interesting. We don't know if it is true, natura
We do know, however, that the "flying
saucers" are no mirage. As for Rainbow
City, if it's what you say it is, we'd sure lik
to pay it a visit. That sort of thing, whic
the Utopia all science-fiction writers ha
dreamed about, is just not visible anywher
the civilized world. If it exists at the south pole
near that warm spot Byrd found, and it
has what you intimate, we'll be waiting f
the saucers to come back and bring peace to th
nasty-minded old planet. Only we wonder how i

haps the wa,"it will ever be none"is to wipe the slate clean, and just start off as vertible cave shocked to sanity by utter destruction. In th case, maybe the "last" war is our "last" hope. peculiar viewpoint, but it has amazing logic never met the man who could learn how a k in the pants feels without getting a kick in the pants. as for the saucers-maybe you're sho ing in the dark-because your editor knows what he's talking about there! But even if you a we'll forgive you, because your motives are so obviously of the good kind. Thank you for yo letter. it wasn't really necessary. Our readers ha not forgotten your article-and how they wrote us about it.

Please notice where Hefferlin says-"government of ... all oppressed peoples ..." They want all rights and privileges that there are, yet want to deny them to others, especially the freed of free speech, as witness from "Rainbow City" tell me to "keep quiet"! And why did they numb their letter to me "1" — are they intending to write more?

As my letter is a warning letter with a threat, and coming through the U.S. mail, I am sending it to you personally so that it ca be investigated. Please keep this confidential since under the circumstances, I do not feel enti ly safe.

Thanking you, Very truly yours,

b7c [redacted]

Menomonee Falls, Wisc.

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Copy

Port Allegany, Pa.
November 18, 1947.

[redacted]

Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Gentlemen:

Following the appearance in this town on November 6, 1947, of a Mr. [redacted], Red Cross, Pittsburgh, Pa., as "speaker of the evening", at the annual local Red Cross dinner, I was told by Dr. [redacted] local practicing dentist, that in a personal conversation, following the dinner, Mr. [redacted] told him that the "saucers" reported as seen in various parts of the country, were actually from Spain. He said that Mr. [redacted] said that this had been ascertained by the Government in Washington, but that it was not being made known. He said that Mr. [redacted] had been in Europe and inferred that he had been in Spain and knew conditions over there. Dr. [redacted] is a man active in the Methodist Chruch and the local Protestant Mens Club, and it is easy to see how far this report can be spread. The fact that the Federal Government indorses the Red Cross makes a statement of an official representative of that organization almost indisputable.

As a representative ~~the~~ of the Federal Government and as a citizen interested in truth and World peace and racial and religious harmony in our own country, I question the advisability of an accredited representative of the Red Cross giving out this information, even "off the record". I thought you might be able to check with Mr. [redacted] [redacted] or his organization.

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Yours very truly,

[redacted]

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November 8, 1947

[redacted] b7C

Brooklyn 27, New York

Dear Mr. [redacted] b7C

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Your letter dated November 2, 1947, has been received. The information contained in the files of this Bureau has been declared confidential and available for official use only, and I am unable to be of any assistance to you. I am sure you will draw no inference from my inability to comply with your request.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

NOTE: This individual asked questions concerning flying saucers and the Bureau's investigation of Russians.

Postal Guide reflects Ridgewood is a branch of the Brooklyn Station.

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Mr. Harbo
Mr. Hendon
Mr. Pennington
Mr. Quinn Tamm
Tele. Room
Mr. Nease
Miss Gandy

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O [redacted] 670

New York
November 2, 1947

Dear Sir

In regards to the "flying saucer" mystery which recently received national publicity I, as a citizen would like to ask a few questions. If you, as head of the FBI, would be so kind as to answer I would be greatly appreaciative.

First, has the FBI been and is the FBI still investigating the "flying saucers"?

Second, were copies of the July 7th, 1947 issue of the Arizona Republic, published in Phoenix, Arizona confiscated by the FBI?

Third is the FBI investigating the "Shaver Mystery" in which an author named Richard S. Shaver claims there are people

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living underground who have been there for centuries?

Fourth, has a newsreel, which appeared in a Los Angeles theatre showing Russian scientists examining a crashed flying saucer, been suppressed by the FBI?

Fifth, Does the FBI consider knowledge of the "flying saucers" too dangerous for the general public to know?

Though the above questions may seem a trifle silly, I would appreciate an answer to them, if at all possible.

Thanking you for your courtesy in reading this and hoping for an answer, I am

Sincerely yours

[redacted] b7C

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November 10, 1947

[redacted]
Elizabethtown, New York b7c

Dear [redacted] b7c

Your letter postmarked November 5, 1947, has been received and I do want to thank you for writing as you did. The patriotic motives which prompted your suggestions concerning the subject about which you have written are indeed appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Elizabethtown
New York

Dear Sir.

With all these forest fires in Main and out west in our Country I was wondering whether the flying discs had anything to do with it. Was that just a myth or did they exist. If so could not they have been incendiary falling to earth then with draught and heat from the sun ignite. Were not the discs seen flying over Main Vt. and western states are the western states that have forest fires the same ones reported to have seen the flying discs.

I have great respect for your Bureau or should I say our. In every way the F.B.I. has been excellent. I visited the Bureau while in Washington some years ago.

I do hope I haven't taken up to much time but couldn't stop thinking of it. All Americans must be alert but not overdo.

We have quite a lot of different foreigners settling up here with plenty of money. Like the backwoods I guess. Keep to themselves too.

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Im a widow with two young children I feel very anxious to do my share in bringing up honest and loyal Americans

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[redacted] b7c Yours truly.

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[redacted] b7c

Elizabethtown
New York

P.S.
I read that scientist were investigating the way the fires flared up in different parts away from the main fire that is what made me think of the incendiary discs. Thank you again.

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November 1, 1947

[redacted] b7c
Glendale
Brooklyn, New York

Dear [redacted] b7c

Your letter postmarked October 28, 1947, has been received and I want to express my appreciation to you for having written as you did.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

NOTE: This woman rambles on and furnishes no specific information about anything.

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

O [redacted] Glendale b7C O
L.I. N.Y.C

Mr Hoover O
F.B.I. Flying Discs

Dear Sir: They say that if we are crazy we are the last to know it, that may be my case, but I hope not. You know about 2 months ago, a number of people said they saw flying discs and the papers said it was imagination. I cannot believe

In

hundreds of people could imagine

[illegible] not

the same thing at the same time especially when separated by thousands of miles

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fires

Is it not for the stuff then
was something of a new design
fire ~~tested~~ starter object (Please
do not laugh) You know about
all those little planes looking
few, were time bombs & affect
fires in ship, and isn't it
possible some new invention was
is used for this sabotage, because
that is what all the people I
met think of these fires and
airplane wrecks,
They are not
accidents, We have had dry
spells before, but did the
whole country burn up at the

some time'. Say it would be a good idea to ask the people in the ruined areas if any of them had seen a Disc and how long ago. I know we have the smartest men in the world in our F.B.I and I do not presume to tell you people what to do, but maybe there is some connection.

In any event I think you people should start protecting our country the same as you did in War time. Because whatever you people think, we are at war with some one, Only they are testing

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Air Intelligence has asked other Departments & services to furnish this type info to them. OVER.

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Se, embe. , 1950
September 8, 1950

Mr. [redacted]
[redacted]
Toronto, Ontario, Canada

Dear [redacted]

I have received your letter of August 29, 1950, and want to thank you for bringing the information contained therein to the attention of this Bureau.

The Department of the Air Force is the Department of this Government engaged in coordinating and analyzing the type of information contained in your referenced letter. I have taken the liberty, therefore, in furnishing your letter to that Department for their attention.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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TORONTO, ONT.

August 29, 1950.

Gentlemen:

It has come to my attention that one of the Departments of the F.B.I. is collecting information from eyewitnesses of the phenomenon commonly termed 'Flying Saucers' and with this in view I have the following incident to relate.

On July 19th at 10:30 I was looking over my farm facing west. The moon was fairly full and there was a low ceiling of light clouds. Much to my amazement I saw through the clouds a hazy object of light coming towards the farmhouse with incredible speed. It circled before reaching the farmhouse and continued to do so, neither the height or the orbit of which I could determine. I could not distinguish its shape, as it was above the clouds and I could only see a filter of light.

This was an entity in itself or within itself. It did not come from a beam either above or below. At times it seemed to retard its speed and then would circle in the opposite direction. After watching this spectacle for about ten minutes I felt in justice to myself that I should have corroboration so I called to my houseman who was in bed who came out in slippers and bathrobe and watched it with me for about ten minutes with mouth agape. I continued to watch it in all for about thirty-five minutes, from 10:30 p.m. to 11:05 p.m. when it disappeared in a westerly direction.

I am passing this along to you for what it is worth. If you are not interested throw it in the waste paper basket.

Yours very truly,

[redacted]

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The Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Department of Investigation,
Washington, D.C.,
U.S.A.

[redacted]

P.S. My farm is located twelve miles northeast of City Hall, Toronto.

July 20/50

Dear Sir;
The answer to your letter as near as I know

MR 8-11-50

This letter is to the best of my Remery
about the Least Sauser that hit the top
of a big ash tree my truck park under
it at night. FLYING SAUCERS
When I came to the to go to work
I heard a whistly sound just a!
I was start to git in the truck
and then the Sauser hit the top of
the tree an I taken of an lef the truck
And call Oak Park Ill Police at July 20 50
at 6.29 am oclock.
Then a bout a month later I found
a note in the truck seat when I was st
out on a trip at 9 30 oclock at night
I taken to the Police hear. One
as near as I can Remeber it said
Leave the Cote that is a Peall of Paper
that was in the Sauser Leave it out
where the Right Party can git.
of the secon Paper it said the Sauser
was not ment for You that is a Coade
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I (that would been Look) in to then:
It might been a grate izer now
I sent it to the Repufic Partie
at Washington D.C.

[redacted]

Oak Park Ill.

[redacted]

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: July 31, 1950

FROM : SAC, Chicago

AIR MAIL
SPECIAL DELIVERY

SUBJECT: [redacted], INFORMANT
FLYING DISCS

On July 28, 1950, Mr. [redacted] [redacted], [redacted] Chicago, phone [redacted] brought to this office the original letter and envelope attached, postmarked July 25, 1950 at Chicago, which letter is quoted below:

"New Flying Saucer ~~DEFERRED RE~~

"Since we are on the brink of a third world conflict, the world is more air concious than ever. Aviation in some phases is yet in its pioneering days. Much talk goes on about the flying saucers or discs. The saucer we speak about, is not a military secret, and is not yet owned by any government. The flying saucer which was seen over south Chicago last April is a large fuel tank with crystal glass wings. It has two large jet engines on both sides. It is radion controled. It resembles a saucer very much when in flight. The wings cannot be seen on a clear day. This is so it is a most difficult target for anti aircraft gunners. The reason for the large flat gas or fuel tank is to give the ship a long range for atomic bombing. The ship was designed by [redacted], a former 'Linco' skywriter, [redacted] aircraft mechanic, and [redacted] German World War I ace. The ship was financed by HOWARD HUGHES, millionaire aviation enthusiast. It is now being tested by the Glen F. Martin Aircraft Co., makers of the Martin Marauder. The craft is only made for one way trips. It has a range of 4000 miles, ceiling of 25,000 feet, and a speed of 750 miles per hour. So far only a few of these craft have been made, and they usually are pitched in the lake or ocean as they cannot be landed. They are merely to carry a bomb of high destruction to enemy country. They have no wheels, but small steel rails on the bottom from which they take off. All other mechanism can be explained in detail. The man who welded the ship says it is by far the best long range bombing instrument he has ever seen. The name of the ship is the 'Danse Macabre'.

"Editor

"In a few weeks zinc cuts showing 3 views of craft will be sent to you.

"Yours
"/s/ [redacted]

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Mr. [redacted] states that no one connected with the [redacted] knows of anyone named [redacted], nor do they know of anyone who lives in the circulation area of their paper with that name. [redacted]

Mr. [redacted] stated he did not want to publish this letter as he felt the Army desired that the matter be kept confidential. He will contact this office again if he receives the "zinc cuts" or has any other corresponcence from [redacted] He felt that [redacted] might send the same information to other publishers who may print the story.

There was no return address for [redacted] on either the envelope or the letter. There is, however, an [redacted] listed in the telephone directory at [redacted] and an [redacted] at [redacted], Chicago.

This information is being transmitted to the Bureau for such action as it deems appropriate.

The Chicago indices are negative regarding [redacted]

New Flying Saucer

Since we are on t
of a Third world con
world is more air co
than ever. Aviation
phases, is yet in its pi
ng. Much talk goes on
The flying saucers
The saucer we speak abo
is not a military secret,
is not yet owned by a
government. The flying saucer
which was seen over south
Chicago last april, is a large
fuel tank with crystal glass
wings. It has two large
jet engines on both sides.
It is radio controlled. It
resembles a saucer very

The wings cannot be seen
on a clear day. This is,
it is a most difficult
target for anti aircraft
gunners. The reason for th
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bombing. The ship w
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mechanic, and [redacted]
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Yours truly

[redacted]

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: August 2, 1950

FROM : ~~SAC~~, Chicago

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS
(Bufile 62-83894)

[redacted]

ReBulet July 28, 1950.

The Bureau is advised that the information set forth in Chicago let dated July 18, 1950 and the information submitted to the Bureau by Chicago let dated July 31, 1950 entitled [redacted] [redacted] INFORMANT, FLYING DISCS" has been submitted to OSI.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 8/2/50

FROM : SAC, Louisville

SUBJECT: ALF E. HIXENBAUGH's Photographs of Flying Saucers; INFORMATION CONCERNING

On June 28, 1950, the Louisville Times, a newspaper of general circulation published at Louisville, Kentucky, carried a two column cut showing three frames of a movie camera film of what purported to be a moving picture of a flying saucer. The photographs, taken by ALF (AL) HIXENBAUGH, Times staff photographer, were taken, HIXENBAUGH said, on a 16 mm magazine-loading movie camera.

The news article, accompanying the photographs, stated HIXENBAUGH took 50 feet of film in which "the bright flying object shows clearly." The photographer, according to the article, was at Longest and Everett Avenues near his home, 2205 Longest, at 4:15 p.m., June 27, 1950, on his way to take some moving pictures of birds. The article relates that HIXENBAUGH "suddenly heard the roar of a big plane -- a twin-motored DC-3 -- and glanced overhead. At first he thought it was a jet plane then he looked to the west of the plane, which was flying southwest toward Standiford Field -- and saw the large disk. It had a slight corona around it and seemed to be lower than the plane."

According to HIXENBAUGH, "the object appeared "motionless for about ten seconds .... then it began to get smaller, finally vanishing into the west." The article notes that while the "saucer" appeared on all the film HIXENBAUGH took, the airplane was out of the picture field quickly, appearing on only about 10 feet. HIXENBAUGH, according to the article, advised military officers at Godman Field who in turn notified flight headquarters at Wright-Patterson Field. A copy of the newspaper article and photographs are being forwarded to the Bureau as enclosures.

A subsequent newspaper article stated that representatives of the military would fly to Louisville to examine the films. In addition to being printed in the Louisville Times, the movie film taken by HIXENBAUGH was carried on a national television network and received national comment from WALTER WINCHELL. HIXENBAUGH has received telephonic and written queries concerning subject matter of the picture

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from various persons and organizations throughout the United States, he said.

On July 28, 1950, HIXENBAUGH telephonically communicated with the Louisville Division stating that he had been advised that a representative of one of the Army Intelligence Agencies would be in Louisville on Saturday, July 29, 1950, to view the film. He expressed fear that the persons who might be contacting him might be unauthorized individuals and asked if he could bring the film to the FBI office for clearance. HIXENBAUGH was advised that the Bureau did not clear employees of other agencies and if he had doubt as to their authenticity he should check with the agency they professed to represent. HIXENBAUGH was advised that in the event they were not representatives of the agency they professed to represent, the information should be furnished this office and appropriate action would be taken under the Impersonation Statute.

[redacted]

[redacted]

Movies Snapped of Sky Disk By Alert Times Photographer

Yes, we have some flying saucers today, and for the first time, here are moving pictures for proof.

Many have reported seeing the saucers but it remained for Al Hixenbaugh to do something about it—with his trusty 16 mm. magazine-loading movie camera.

"Hix," Times staff photographer, took 50 feet of film in which the bright flying object shows clearly in all. Army officials have been informed and have indicated eagerness to examine the pictures.

The photographer was at Longest and Everett Avenues, near his home at 2205 Longest, at 4:15 p.m. yesterday. He was on his way to take some movies of birds.

* * *

Suddenly he heard the roar of a big plane—a twin-motored DC-3—and glanced overhead. At first he thought it was a jet plane. Then he looked to the west of the plane, which was flying southwest toward Standiford Field—and saw the large disk. It had a slight corona around it and seemed to be lower than the plane.

He aimed his camera and fired. While he wound out the film, he said, the object appeared motionless for about 10 seconds.

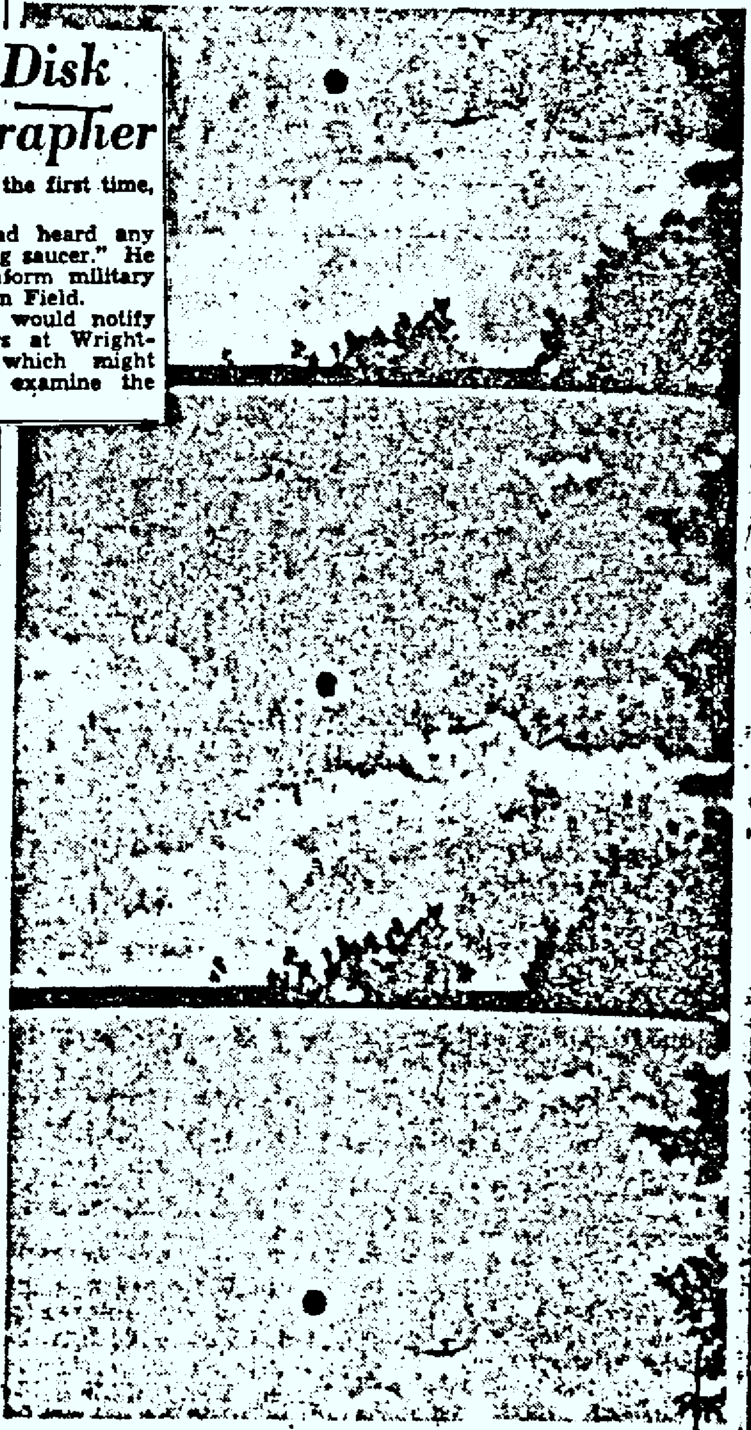
"It stood practically still, like a balloon," he said.

Then it began to get smaller, finally vanishing into the west. While the "saucer" appears on all of the film he took, the plane was out of the picture field quickly, appearing only on about 10 feet. The disk was within his vision "about a minute."

* * *

"Hix" contacted the newsroom at WHAS and from there Jerry Gammons called Standiford and Bowman Fields and weather officials. None had heard any reports of a "flying saucer." He was advised to inform military officials at Godman Field.

Godman said it would notify flight headquarters at Wright-Patterson Field which might send an aide to examine the films.



By Times Staff Photographer

Here's Real Flying Saucer, If There Is One

This is what a "flying saucer" looks like, if there really is such a thing. Al Hixenbaugh, Times' photographer, snapped movies of the object yesterday. The object appears almost as big as the twin-motored DC-3 to the right.

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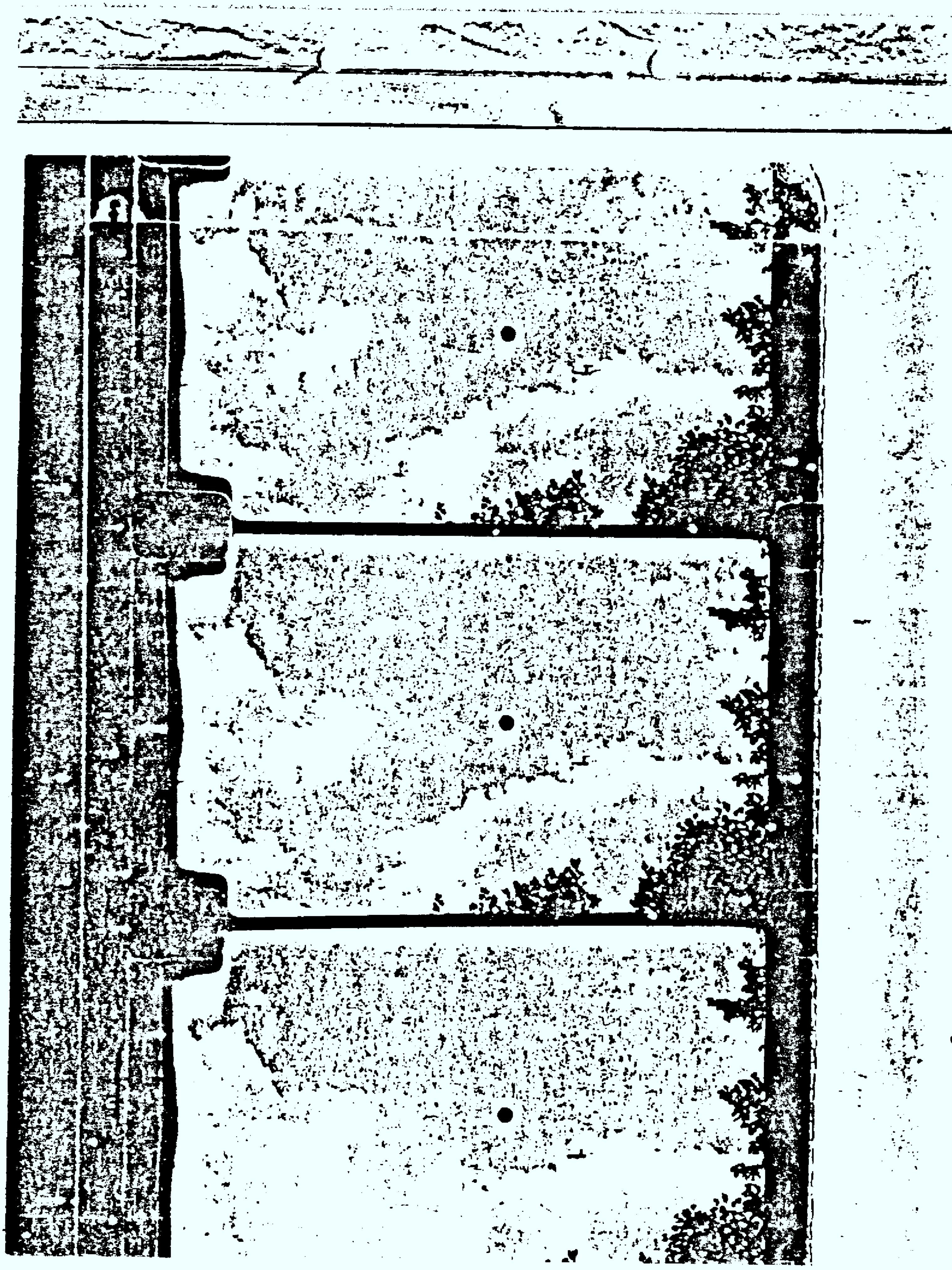
The Louisville Times
Louisville, Kentucky
June 28, 1950



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Mr. [redacted]
Louisville 11, Kentucky

Dear [redacted]

Your card postmarked July 3, 1950, has been received and it is suggested that you may wish to correspond directly with the Secretary of the Air Force, National Defense Building, The Pentagon, Washington 25, D. C., since the matter to which you referred has been handled by that agency.

I am sure you will find on a close examination of the book you mentioned that it contains no quotations from the FBI but merely mentions this agency.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director

flying saucers

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NOTE: Correspondent refers to a book "The Flying Saucers are Real" by Donald Keyhoe, which has been read and will be reviewed by the Crime Records Section in the near future. The book mentions briefly that the FBI was investigating flying saucers and that [redacted] Bureau Agents witnessed saucers at Las Vegas, New Mexico, 12-8-48. It is not malicious in the references to the FBI. [redacted] Keyhoe [redacted] wrote the article on saucers for True Magazine.

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FBI SAN ANTONIO 7-4-50 1-30 PM JMW

DIRECTOR FBI

FLYING DISC FOUND AT ALICE, TEXAS, JULY FOUR, FIFTY, INTERNAL SECURITY DASH R. CAA REPRESENTATIVES SAN ANTONIO, ADVISED THIS OFFICE AT TWELVE FIFTEEN P. M. THIS DATE THAT THEY HAD RECEIVED INFORMATION FROM THEIR REPRESENTATIVE AT ALICE THAT A FLYING DISC HAD BEEN FOUND BETWEEN THE MUNICIPAL AIRPORT AND THE CITY OF ALICE. DISC IS ELLIPITICAL SHAPE, FOUR TO FIVE FEET IN DIAMETER, HAS TWO RADIO AERIALS, SLOTS OR HOLES INDICATING JET OR ROCKET PROPULSION. DISC HAS NO. X ONE FOUR SEVEN A, PRINTED ON IT, TOGETHER WITH QUOTE DO NOT TOUCH UNQUOTE. LOCAL RADIO NEWSCAST QUOTES CHIEF OF POLICE, ALICE, TEXAS AS STATING FLYING DISC A HOAX. OSI, KELLY AFB AND HOUSTON OFFICE ADVISED.

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JUL 24 1950

cc: Mr. Belmont

To whom it may concern:

I would like to know just how much truth is in Donald Keyhoe's book "The Flying Saucers Are Real," published this year by the Fawcett Publications, Inc. Keyhoe quotes a vast amount of information from the Air Force, and the F.B.I. Sincerely yours, [redacted]

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[redacted]

FBI HOUSTON 7-4-50 3-50 PM CST ICF

DIRECTOR, FBI URGENT

FLYING DISC, REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN FOUND NEAR ALICE, TEXAS JULY FOURTH, INFORMATION CONCERNING. [redacted] ALUCE, TEXAS ADVISES THAT ON THIS DATE A SMALL ELYPTICAL CONTRAPTION WAS FOUND IN A FIELD ABOUT ONE HUNDRED YARDS NORTHWEST OF MUNICIPAL AIRPORT ALICE, TEXAS. UPON EXAMINATION IT WAS DETERMINED THAT OBJECT WAS CONSTRUCTED BY WELDING A PORTION OF TWO AIRPLANE WINGS TOGETHER. THE CONTRIVANCE WAS FRESHLY PAINTED AND BORE THE MARKINGS DESCRIBED IN REFERENCE TELETYPE, AND HAD NO MOTOR OR MEANS OF PROPULSION. THE [redacted] REMOVED THE OBJECT TO THE POLICE STATION AND UPON INQUIRY DETERMINED THAT IT HAD BEEN CONSTRUCTED BY A GROUP OF MECHANICS AT THE ALICE AIRPORT AS A PRACTICAL JOKE. AIR FORCE OFFICIALS ELLINGTON FIELD ADVISED. NO FURTHER INQUIRES TO BE MADE.

LORTON

CORRECTION = LAST WORD ON LINE TWO IS "ALICE"

END ACK

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cc: Mr Belmont

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FBI HOUSTON 7-4-50 2-35 PM CST FB

[redacted] DIRECTOR URGENT

FLYING DISC REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN FOUND NEAR ALICE, TEXAS JULY FOURTH INFORMATION CONCERNING. SAN ANTONIO TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED THIS OFFICE BUREAU BEING INFORMED THAT SUBJECT DISC DESCRIBED AS APPROXIMATELY FIVE FEET IN DIAMETER, ELYPTICAL IN SHAPE AND BEARING SERIAL NUMBER X DASH ONE FOUR SEVEN A AND INSTRUCTIONS QUOTE DO NOT TOUCH UNQUOTE. RESIDENT AGENT CORPUS CHRISTI STATES THAT LOCAL RADIO REPORTS THIS DISCOVERY TO BE A HOAX. FURTHER INQUIRY BEING MADE AND BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED. CAPTAIN [redacted] SECURITY OFFICER ELLINGTON FIELD AIR FORCE ADVISED AND REPORTED HIS OFFICE HAD NO INFORMATION RE SUBJECT DISC. PRESS INQUIRIES OF THIS OFFICE WILL BE ANSWERED WITH NO COMMENT UACB.

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cc: Mr. Belmont

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7-4-50 4:45 PM Press release O.K. Per Mr. Nichols

SAC, CHICAGO July 28, 1950

~~Director, FBI~~

FLYING DISCS
Chicago File 100-18999
Bufile 62-83894

Reurlet July 18, 1950.

You are instructed to advise the Bureau whether the information contained in your reference letter has been furnished to the local office of OSI in Chicago, Illinois in accordance with existing Bureau instructions.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: July 18, 1950

FROM : SAC, Chicago

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS
[redacted] - INFORMANT

[redacted]

The following is submitted for information of the Bureau for whatever action it may deem advisable.

On July 1, 1950, [redacted] of known reliability, advised that at 1:00 a.m. July 1, 1950, at North Chicago, Illinois, east intersection of 22nd Street and the Chicago, North Shore and Milwaukee Railroad and Chicago Northwestern Railroad tracks, atop the watchman's tower, which is approximately fifteen feet in the air, he observed one cigar-shaped object, about five feet in appearance from his viewpoint, traveling from northwestern to southeastern direction at an excessive rate of speed over the Great Lakes Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, Illinois. According to the informant, this object appeared almost directly overhead at an altitude which he estimated to be about 15,000 to 20,000 feet, and it remained in sight for about twenty to twenty-five seconds until it disappeared over the horizon.

This informant advised the object did not appear like any falling star or meteor he had ever seen, and that it proceeded in a straight and level flight. The informant continued that the front two-thirds of the object was a constant glow about the coloring of a burning kerosene lamp, and that the rear third was dark. He continued that the object left a bluish-white trail behind it, appearing to be about four inches in width, and about three times the length of the object. The informant advised that there were no wings or other type of support visible to him, and that the propulsion, control and stability were unknown to him. He advised that the speed of this object was much faster than any conventional type of aircraft he had ever seen, although it did not travel as fast as a falling star. He added that there was no sound discernible.

[redacted] his attention was drawn to this object while he was watching for an approaching train. It is to be noted that he advised there were no other witnesses who saw the aforementioned object.

This informant has furnished reliable information to the Chicago Division in the past, is of average intelligence, and considered of good character and reputation.

cc: A66-2224

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DIRECTOR FBI URGENT

FLYING DISCS. AT FIVE FORTYFIVE PM, JUNE TWENTYNINTH LAST, AN OBJECT IN SKY WAS OBSERVED BY MANY CITIZENS OF PHOENIX INCLUDING FBI PERSONNEL. MATTER IMMEDIATELY REPORTED TO [redacted] OSI, WILLIAMS AFB, ARIZONA. [redacted] ADVISED TODAY OBJECT WAS PICKED UP BY RADAR SCOPE AT SIX PM, JUNE TWENTYNINTH, AT WHICH TIME IT WAS ESTIMATED OBJECT WAS THIRTY TO THIRTYFIVE THOUSAND FEET IN AIR. A B TWENTYNINE FROM FIVE HUNDRED NINTH BOMB GROUP, ROSWELL, NM, WAS ASSIGNED TO FOLLOW OBJECT AND PILOT REPORTED THAT WHILE TRAVELING AT TWENTYFIVE THOUSAND FEET HE ESTIMATED OBJECT TO BE ADDITIONAL TEN TO TWENTY THOUSAND FEET ABOVE HIM. PLANE WAS TRAVELING AT TWO HUNDRED NINETY MPH AND WAS ABLE TO CIRCLE BENEATH OBJECT. OBJECT WAS MOVING IN WESTWARDLY DIRECTION IN ABSENCE OF WIND. IT WAS LAST SIGHTED AT EIGHT FIFTYFIVE PM AT A POINT ABOUT TWENTY MILES NORTH OF BLYTHE, CALIFORNIA, WHEN IT WAS LOST DUE TO HEAVY THUNDERSTORM IN AREA. [redacted] ESTIMATED SIZE OF OBJECT TO BE VERY LARGE, INASMUCH AS WITH USE OF BINOCULARS HE COULD EASILY SEE OBJECT. NEVERTHELESS, THE B TWENTYNINE COULD NOT BE OBSERVED WITH BINOCULARS. OSI WILL SUBMIT FULL REPORT AFTER CONSULTATION WITH AIRPLANE CREW AND FURTHER STUDY. NO ACTION BEING TAKEN BY

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THIS OFFICE AND ABOVE FOR YOUR INFO ONLY.

MURPHY

CORRECTION PLS 6TH LINE 7TH WORD SHOULD BE THIRTYFIVE

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PLS ACK

HOLD PLS

cc Mr. Belmont

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: July 11, 1950

SRM FROM : SAC, CHICAGO

wRH SUBJECT: O FLYING DISC

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Reference is made to SAC letter #38, series 1949.

Mr. [redacted] Downers Grove, Illinois, telephone number - [redacted] telephonically advised SA [redacted] at 9:54 PM, July 4, 1950, that at 9:38 PM on July 4, 1950, he observed a large, bright, silvery object moving at an approximate altitude of 10,000 feet, in a north, north-westerly direction over Downers Grove. Mr. [redacted] said that his wife also observed this object. He stated that he estimated the speed of the object at 700 to 800 miles by comparing its rate of movement with that of commercial airplanes.

Mr. [redacted] advised that he is a meteorologist with United Air Lines and the object he observed was not a plane nor was it a fireworks display.

The above is being submitted for your information.

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SAC, Washington Field

July 19, 1950

Director, FBI

FLYING DISCS
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

Reurlet 6-29-50.

Attention is directed to existing Bureau instructions wherein complaints received relating to the captioned matter should be promptly furnished to a local representative of the Office of Special Investigations, the Inspector General, U. S. Air Force by your office.

You are instructed to furnish the information contained in the referenced letter to OSI. In the future, such action should be taken promptly following the receipt of such information by your office.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: June 29, 1950

FROM : SAC, WASHINGTON FIELD

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

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This is to advise the Bureau that on June 25, 1950, [redacted] [redacted], N.W., telephone, [redacted] and who is employed at the Hot Shoppe, Connecticut Avenue, N.W., informed that at 9:25 am, that date, while looking out of the window of his residence he saw what he believed to be a flying saucer. He described this object as resembling a cigar, the end of which was tilted down toward the earth and presenting a silver appearance. He estimated the height of this object as from 20 to 25 thousand feet, and stated the size at that distance appeared to be about four inches. [redacted] could furnish no further details other than to state the object appeared to be moving in an easterly direction. He advised that this is the first flying saucer he has ever seen.

The foregoing is being furnished for the information of the Bureau and no action is being taken by this Office.

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JUN 29 1950

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 7/19/50

FROM : SAC, ALBUQUERQUE

SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF AERIAL PHENOMENA IN
NEW MEXICO
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Of Flying Discs

There is being transmitted herewith a Summary of Observations of Aerial Phenomena in New Mexico from December 1948 to May 25, 1950. This recapitulation of data summarizes previous individual sights that have been reported in this area. The summary was prepared by the Inspector General's Office of the 17th District of Special Investigations, Kirtland Air Force Base, New Mexico.

The above information is being submitted for the completion of the Bureau's files.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: June 15, 1950

FROM : SAC, San Francisco

SUBJECT: [redacted]
Yuba City, California
RESEARCH

Rebulet 6-5-50.

Subject was located 6-13-50 residing at [redacted] San Jose, California. He was interviewed by SA [redacted] of this Office, who carefully explained the jurisdiction of the FBI to him and questioned him relative to any information he might have which would be of interest to this Bureau.

Mr. [redacted] had nothing to add to his previous story as submitted by letter to the Bureau on 4-9-50. He was advised that any information relative to "flying saucers" did not come within the jurisdiction of this Bureau and that he could communicate such information to the Secretary of the Air Force, National Defense Building, The Pentagon, Washington 25, D. C.

For the further information of the Bureau, Mr. [redacted], was contacted in an effort to locate Mr. [redacted] Mr. [redacted] described [redacted] as being "odd" but would not elaborate on this statement.

It was also ascertained from [redacted], San Jose, California, through whom [redacted] was located, that [redacted] was given to weird imaginings. Mr. [redacted] stated that he would not exactly describe [redacted] as being insane but stated that he was getting along in years and was prone to exaggerate on queer imaginings.

It was the observation of the interviewing agent that Mr. [redacted] is abnormal mentally.

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THE INSPE[illegible] GENERAL USAF
17TH DISTRICT OFFICE [illegible] SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS
KIRTLAND AIR FORCE BASE, NEW MEXICO

64-1

5 July 1950

Dana — You asked for this

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File No: 24-8-0

SUBJECT: UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT
sighted on 29 June 1950
at Phoenix, Arizona
SPECIAL INQUIRY

TO: Director of Special Investigations
Headquarters, United States Air Force
Washington 25, D. C.

1. Reference is made to Spot Report TWX from this Headquarters dated 30 June 1950, making reference to an unidentified flying object sighted on 29 June 1950 at Phoenix, Arizona.

2. An interview with 1st Lt. JOHN D. FINK, AO-023052, 93rd Fighter Squadron, Kirtland AFB reveals that on 29 June 1950 at approximately 1340 hours Lt. FINK sighted this object. Lt. FINK climbed to 47,000 while flying an F-86 aircraft and observed that the object was a bright balloon with instruments attached and was floating at an altitude of 50,000 feet.

3. Lt. FINK described the speed of the balloon as being very slow and further described the balloon as being an "inverted tear drop".

4. Inasmuch as the previously unidentified object has been positively identified as a balloon, further investigation will not be conducted in this incident.

① Flying Discs

RICHARD G. COX
MAJOR, USAF
District Commander

Filed in Flying Disc

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Mr. [redacted]
University of California
Los Angeles 24, California

Dear [redacted]

Your letter dated June 2, 1950, has been received, and I appreciate the interest which prompted your communication.

While I would like to be of service, this Bureau has no information available for distribution with regard to the subject of your letter, and I suggest that you may wish to direct your inquiry to the Secretary of Defense, National Defense Building, Washington, D. C.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

LOS ANGELES 24, CALIFORNIA
[redacted]

June 2, 1950

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th, NW
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover,

I am currently engaged in research for a graduate dissertation which will attempt to analyze the socio-logical and psychological implications of the flying saucer phenomenon.

In the course of my research I am giving extensive consideration of the several magazine articles and the one book which have already been written on the subject. The book, in particular, and the magazine articles in general, hint at official restraints which have hampered the authors in their research. So far as I know none of those research projects attempted to probe as deeply into the background of the phenomena as I am, yet I have encountered no such "official censorship" as they mention. In fact I have been surprised at the openness with which some people have replied to my queries.

I believe the fact that I have encountered no restrictions is significant when I attempt to analyze my total findings. It raises the question as to whether those previously mentioned authors aren't trying hard to sell something which really isn't there to sell.

Is there any reason why the flying saucer situation should be "played down?" Is there any official attitude toward the matter?

I wish to thank you in advance for your interest and help. You may be assured that I will appreciate any information you may be able to give me.

Sincerely yours,

[redacted]

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EX-
JUN 19

TO : Director, FBI DATE: May 31, 1950

FROM : SAC, New Orleans

SUBJECT: [redacted] b6
FLYING DISCS

On May 24, 1950, this office received from Major MERLE L. MENNIE, Intelligence and Security Officer, New Orleans Port of Embarkation, a report dealing with [redacted] A copy of this report is attached to this letter for your information. b6

The report states that [redacted] sold for $1.00 two photographs to one [redacted], who in turn gave the photographs to an agent of CID, New Orleans Port of Embarkation. These photographs were of flying saucers and a man from Mars in the custody of two U. S. Army Military Policemen. A copy of one negative and a copy of one positive of these photographs are also enclosed herewith. b6

Enclosures (3)

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Matter discussed with Col. Bordon, OSI. He advised that hundreds of such matters are received by A.F. They ~~did~~ do not consider them worthy of investigation. 6-21-50

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SUMMARY OF INFORMATION

DATE 23 May 1950

PREPARING OFFICE
Intelligence Branch, New Orleans Port of Embarkation, New Orleans 12, La.

SUBJECT
HALFEY, Michael
2451 Urquhart Street
New Orleans, La.

CAPT NO. T4-15-0

CODE FOR USE IN INDIVIDUAL PARAGRAPH EVALUATION

OF SOURCE:		OF INFORMATION:	
COMPLETELY RELIABLE	A	CONFIRMED BY OTHER SOURCES	1
USUALLY RELIABLE	B	PROBABLY TRUE	2
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NOT USUALLY RELIABLE	D	DOUBTFULLY TRUE	4
UNRELIABLE	E	IMPROBABLE	5
RELIABILITY UNKNOWN	F	TRUTH CANNOT BE JUDGED	6

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION

At about 1430 hours, 22 May 1950, the attached (See Inclosure 1) "photograph" was turned over to Agent John F. Quinn, CID, New Orleans Port of Embarkation. The individual who turned this material over to Quinn told him that he had purchased the "photograph" from one [redacted] for the sum of $1.00. He stated that he thought this material "should be placed in the hands of the Government", as it was supposed to be pictures of "flying saucers" and "a man from Mars in the United States". The "man from Mars" was pictured as being in the custody of two military policemen. (B-2)

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The individual turning this material over to Quinn gave his name as [redacted] (B-3)

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According to [redacted] is alleged to have served five (5) years in the Federal penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas. (B-3)

No interrogation of [redacted] was conducted by Agent Quinn. (B-2)

1 Incl:
Photo. (Original & Cy)

COMMENT: A literal translation of the caption under the alleged photographs stated that a special infra-red machine was used to take these photographs because the "flying saucers" were invisible to the human eye. Also, the sound emitted by the two pictured "saucers" was of such high frequency as to be above frequencies audible to the human ear. The caption continues by stating that an accident occurred to one of the "saucers" and the individual shown in custody of United States Military Police in the right hand photograph was a "Mr. X", a member of the crew of one of these "flying saucers". The location of both photographs was stated to be Weisbaden, Germany.

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CG, [illegible] (1)
FBI, NOLa (2) (Including original)
ONI, NOLa (1)
OSI, NOLa (1)
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File (1)

Case # [illegible] 31/7th Dir Det FO, NOPE, New Orleans, La.

Positive Photostat copy of document turned over to NOPE CID (Agent John F. Quinn) by [redacted] who reported purchase of document from [redacted]

Date 2[illegible] 1950

Received from Agent John F. Quinn, NOPE CID, by Louis [illegible] Repillard, Criminal Investigator, Intelligence & [illegible] Secl. (?) Branch, NOPE, Date [illegible] May 1950.

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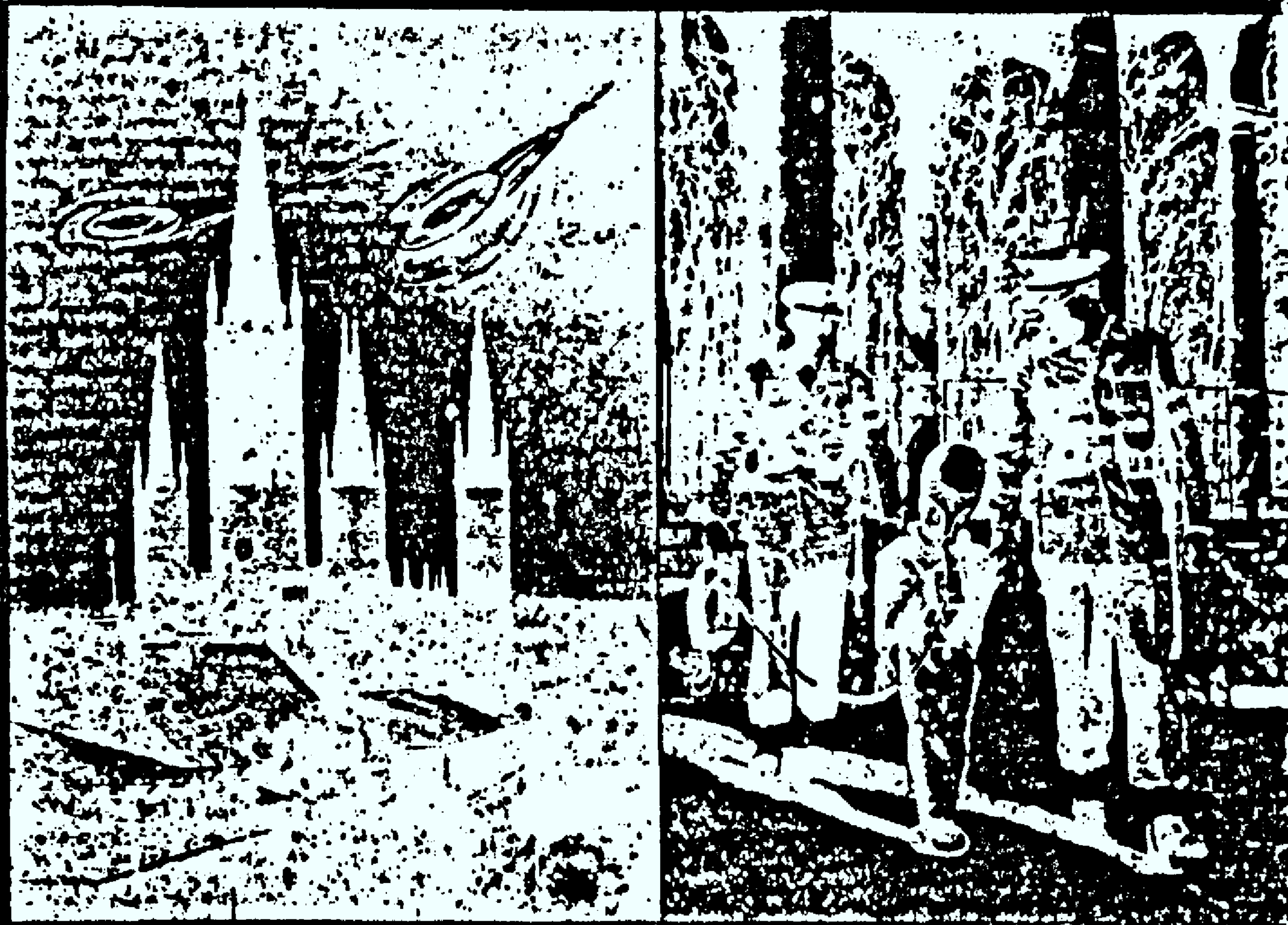
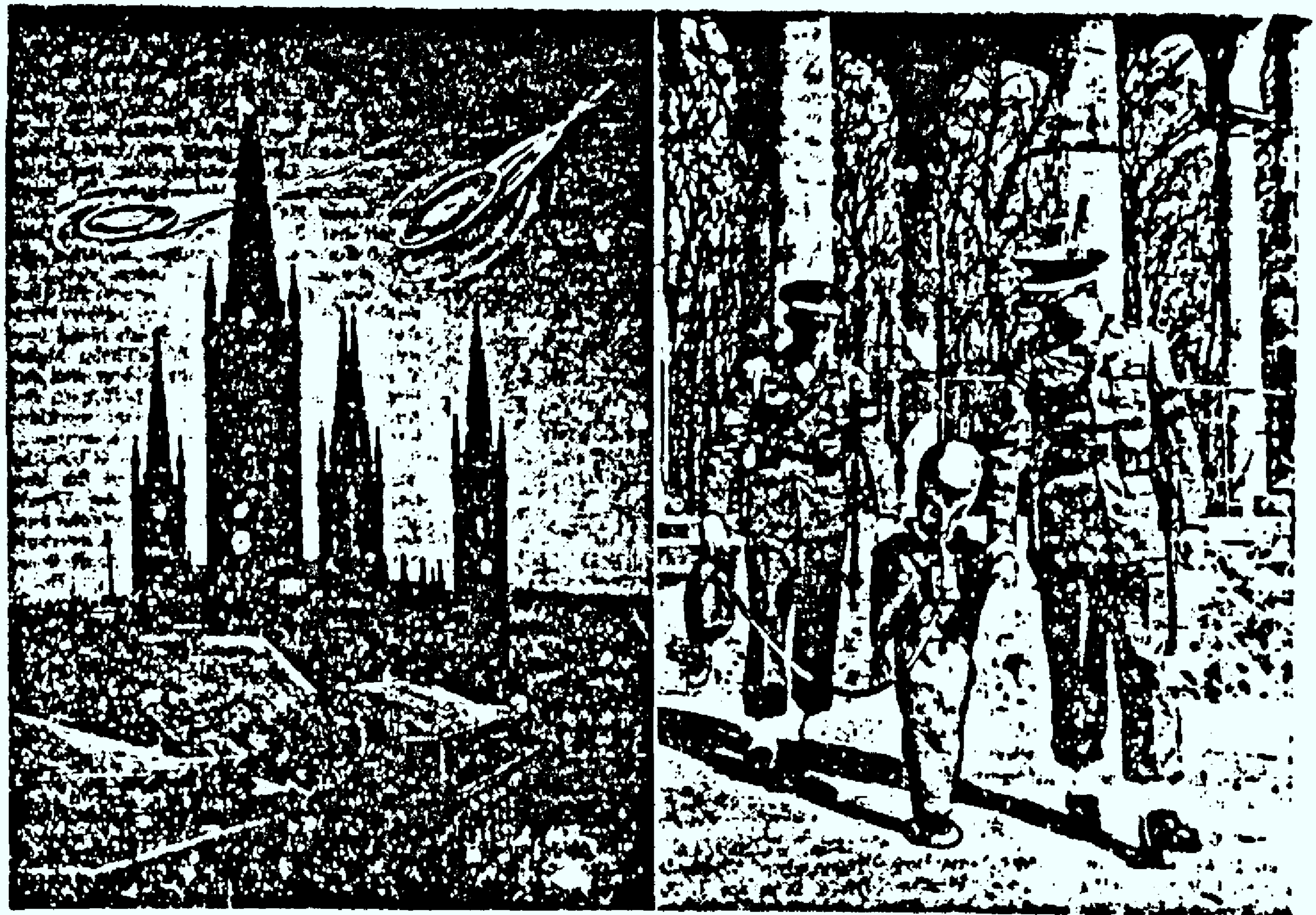


Das Infra-Rot-Kathodenstrahlrohr offenbart mit Bildaufnahmegerät und Spezialfilm Vorgänge, die dem menschlichen Auge unsichtbar bleiben müssen. Das beweist unsere linke Abbildung: Zwei „fliegende Untertassen" kreisten — von den Wiesbadenern unbemerkt — um die Marktkirche. Die Geräusche der sausenden Scheiben waren nicht bemerkbar, da Ultra-Kurzschallwellen bekanntlich vom menschlichen Gehör nicht aufgenommen werden. Unser rechtes Bild zeigt erstmalig Mister X, ein Besatzungsmitglied der „fliegenden Untertasse", die am Fuße des Bleidenstadter Kopfes zerschellt ist. (2 Transfer USA-Fotos)



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ENCLOSURES TO THE BUREAU

Copy of report by Intelligence Branch, New Orleans Port of Embarkation, [redacted] b6

One negative copy and one positive copy of photographs of flying saucer and man from Mars in custody of two MP's.

N.O. File 66-1199

Received from ONI through Liaison Channels
Date 4/24/50 ODG

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ISSUED BY THE INTELLIGENCE DIVISION
OFFICE OF CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS
NAVY DEPARTMENT

INTELLIGENCE REPORT

File in Flying Disca

(Reference to this report must specify Serial No., From and Date.)

Serial No. 4-50 at Kodiak, Alaska Date 10 Feb. 1950
(Start new series each year: 1-0, 1-3, 2-(1))

From DIO/17ND
(Ship, fleet, unit, district, area, station, or person)

Monograph Index Guide No. (See note 2)
(Make separate report for each monograph)
See O. N. I. Index Guide

Reference
(Directive, correspondence, previous related report, etc., if applicable)

Source OFFICIAL - U. S. NAVY
(As observed, personal contact, document, press, conversation with —
Identify when practicable, etc.)

Evaluation A-2

Subject ~~Unidentified Phenomena~~ in vicinity of Kodiak Alaska
(Make separate report for each title)

BRIEF. (Here enter careful summary of report, containing substance succinctly stated; include important facts, names, places, dates, etc.)

BRIEF: A report of sightings of unidentified airborne objects, by various naval personnel, on 22 and 23 January 1950, in the vicinity of Kodiak, Alaska is contained herein.

NOTES: (1) This information is as of 23 January 1950
(2) IPI makes no provision for reporting phenomena of this nature

ENCL: (1) Completed CINCAL form containing information given by [redacted] USN
(2) Completed CINCAL form containing information given by [redacted] TM and [redacted] HC, USN
(3) Sketch of radar interference characteristics experienced by [redacted] USN
(4) Completed CINCAL form containing information given by Lt. [redacted] USN
(5) Track chart of aircraft in which Lt. [redacted] USN embarked 23 January 1950
(6) Statements of [redacted] ?1 and [redacted] HC, USN
(7) Statement of Lt. [redacted]
(8) Winds aloft and balloon release data

1. Enclosures (1), (2), and (4) are completed forms suggested by Commander in Chief, Alaskan Command, Fort Richardson, Alaska for the reporting of sighting of unidentified objects. Enclosure (3) is a sketch of radar interference experienced in aircraft piloted by Lt. [redacted] Enclosure (5) is a track chart of aircraft in which Lt. [redacted] was embarked when he sighted unidentified object. Enclosure (6) contains statements by [redacted], HC, USN and [redacted], ?T, USN relative to their sighting. Enclosure (7) is a copy of Lt. [redacted]'s statement and enclosure (8) is a summary of weather and balloon release information.

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Flying Discs

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independent British team, failed to uncover any evidence to support the theory of Soviet missiles. By 1947 the thing had snowballed to such an extent that the Swedish Government finally issued a report identifying most of the incidents with natural phenomena and denying that any foreign power was involved. During this period sightings were reported from the remaining Scandanavian countries and most of Western Europe.

Incidents were first reported over the US in 1947 and are still continuing. Much space in the press has been given to these reports and various semi-official opinions have been quoted. For example, on 16 May, Captain Eddie Rickenbacker was quoted as saying "There must be something to them, for too many reliable persons have made reports on them. I am duty bound not to say what I know about them - or what I don't know about them. However, if they do exist, you can rest assured that they are ours." The USAF for a long time conducted a thorough investigation of each of the hundreds of incidents involved. It found that approximately 75% of the reports could definitely be related to known causes such as meteorological balloons, aircraft, meteors and other common phenomena. A public statement was issued debunking the entire existance of flying disks or saucers. This did little to cut down the flood of reports. It only resulted in convincing a large number of people that the National Military Establishment was trying to cover up our own experiments with new weapons.

Many theories have been advanced to explain these reports of aerial phenomena over the US. These include:

1. Space ships from other planets
2. Soviet guided missiles or aircraft, probably atomic-powered.
3. US experiments with new weapons
4. Natural phenomena
5. Mass hysteria, or other psychological causes.

[redacted]

While it is not possible to categorically rule out theory No. 1 it is very easy to do so on reasonable grounds. The existence of any form of life on other planets is extremely tenuous and debatable. The level of technical achievement required to launch piloted or pilotless missiles from one planet to another and return is several orders of magnitude beyond that existing on the earth today and probably would have resulted in some firm contact prior to this, either through deliberate landings or unscheduled crashes. (Even these have been reported in the press - complete with descriptions of men only 18 inches tall! Such reports are sheer fabrication.)

There is absolutely no evidence that the Soviet Union possess either guided missiles or disc shaped aircraft capable of making round trip flights to the US, and the use of atomic energy for the propulsion of any aerial vehicle is still at least several years in the future. Even if the Soviets are that far ahead of us in such a program, there is no reason to expect the airplanes would be other than of conventional design. An atomic power plant, alone, would be sufficiently radical, without also designing a completely new vehicle to carry it.

The US is not experimenting with any new weapon that could reasonably be mistakenly identified as a flying disc or saucer. The US is launching large numbers of meteorological and cosmic ray balloons for experimental purposes and a fair number of the reports can be definitely attributed to sightings of these objects or reflections of other shiny objects such as aircraft.

The continued reporting of aerial phenomena must then be attributed to a mass hysteria caused by the present tenseness in the international situation; the public belief in the ability of science to accomplish miracles; and to statements in the press by "name" individuals hinting at

[redacted]

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the existence of some new weapon. Such statements, of the type attributed to Rickenbacker, often solicited in the most sensation form by news reporters in order to make a good story, make people watch the sky and any object they cannot immediately recognize is called a "flying saucer." This helps to maintain the "chain reaction" of such reports.

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11 May

UNIDENTIFIED AERIAL PHEN
(Flying Saucers)

Reports of strange and mysterious objects seen in the sky over most of the countries of the world during the past five years have created quite a stir in the public press. The sighting of such objects has not been confined to the last five years. History records many instances of man's inability to explain what he saw or thought he saw. The prophet Ezekiel in the 6th century BC reported, "a whirl wind came out of the north, a great cloud, and a fire unfolding itself, and a brightness was about it." He then saw "a wheel in the middle of a wheel" and reported "when they went, they went up on their four sides and they turned not when they went". (Ezekiel 1:16)

In the past, these phenomena have usually been attributed to supernatural causes, and in more recent years to natural phenomena. However, the introduction of the atomic bomb and guided missiles in World War II has so caught the public imagination with their potentialities, actual and fanciful, that we now find the phenomena variously attributed to space ships from other planets and US or Soviet experiments with new and wonderful weapons.

The present flury of flying saucers, ghost rockets, etc., began in mid-1946 in Sweden. Hundreds of people reported seeing strange objects flying over the country. Newspapers speculated that they were Soviet guided missiles being tested over the Baltic Sea, either from the former German experimental station at Peenemunde, or from Dago Island off the Estonian Coast. The fact that an experimental V-2 fired by the Germans from Peenemunde had landed in Sweden in 1944 lent credence to their speculation. The Swedish defence staff made an investigation and may have deliberately allowed the public to believe this theory for some time for political reasons. Careful investigation by the US Ma and by an

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2. A summary of the information contained in enclosure (1) through (6) follows:

a. At 220240W January LT [redacted] USN, patrol plane commander of P2V3 No. 4 of Patrol Squadron One reported an unidentified radar contact 20 miles north of the Naval Air Station, Kodiak, Alaska. When this contact was first made, LT [redacted] was flying the Kodiak Security Patrol. At 0245W, 5 minutes later a radar contact was made on an object 10 miles southeast of NAS Kodiak. Lt. [redacted] checked with the control tower to determine known traffic in the area, and was informed that there was none. During this period the radar operator, [redacted] ALC, USN reported intermittent radar interference of a type he had never before experienced. (See enclosure (3)). Contact was lost at this time, but intermittent interference continued.

b. At some time between 0200 and 0300W, [redacted] TMC, USN was standing watch on board the USS TILLAMOOK (ATA 192), which was anchored in the vicinity of buoy 19 in the main ship channel. [redacted] reported sighting a "very fast moving red glow light, which appeared to be of exhaust nature, seemed to come from the southeast, moved clockwise in a large circle in the direction of, and around Kodiak and returned out in a generally southeast direction." [redacted] called [redacted] TM1, USN, also on watch, to observe this object, and they both witnessed the return flight. The object was in sight for an estimated 30 seconds. No odor or sound was detected, and the object was described to have the appearance of a ball of fire about one foot in diameter.

c. At 220440W, conducting routine Kodiak security patrol, Lt [redacted] reported a visual sighting of an unidentified airborne object at a radar range of 5 miles, on the starboard bow. This object showed indications of great speed on the radar scope. (The trailing edge of the blip gave a tail like indication.) At this time Lt [redacted] called the attention of all crew members to the object. An estimated ten seconds later, the object was directly overhead, indicating a speed of about 1800 MPH. [redacted] climbed to intercept, and attempted to circle to keep the object in sight. He was unable to do this, as the object was too highly maneuverable. Subsequently the object appeared to be opening the range, and [redacted] attempted to close the range. The object was observed to open out somewhat, then to turn to the left and come up on Smith's quarter. [redacted] considered this to be a highly threatening gesture, and turned out all lights in the aircraft. Four minutes later the object disappeared from view in a southeasterly direction.

d. At 230435W, the day following Lt Smith's sighting, Lt [redacted] and Lt [redacted] of Patrol Squadron One were conducting the Kodiak Security Patrol, and sighted an unidentified object. At the time of the sighting the aircraft in which these officers were embarked was approximately 52 miles south of NAS Kodiak. The object appeared to be on an ascending westerly course, and was in sight for ten minutes. During this period the object was observed by Lieutenants Causer and Barco, and PAULSON, AL1, plane captain. At no time was radar contact made on the object. Lt Causer was unable to close the object at 170 knots.

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(e) The objects sighted have been described as follows:

(1) To Lt [redacted] and crew it appeared as two orange lights rotating about a common center, "like two jet aircraft making slow rolls in tight formation". It had a wide speed range.

(2) To [redacted] TC, and Culver, TC, it appeared as a reddish orange ball of fire about one foot in diameter, travelling at a high rate of speed.

(3) To Lt [redacted], Lt [redacted] and [redacted] AD1, it appeared to be a pulsating orange yellow projectile shaped flame, with regular period of pulsation on 3 to 5 seconds, off 3 to 5 seconds. Later, as the object increased the range the pulsations appeared to increase to on 7 to 8 seconds and off 7 to 8 seconds.

3. A check with the Navy Weather Central, Kodiak, Alaska revealed that balloons were released at the following times:

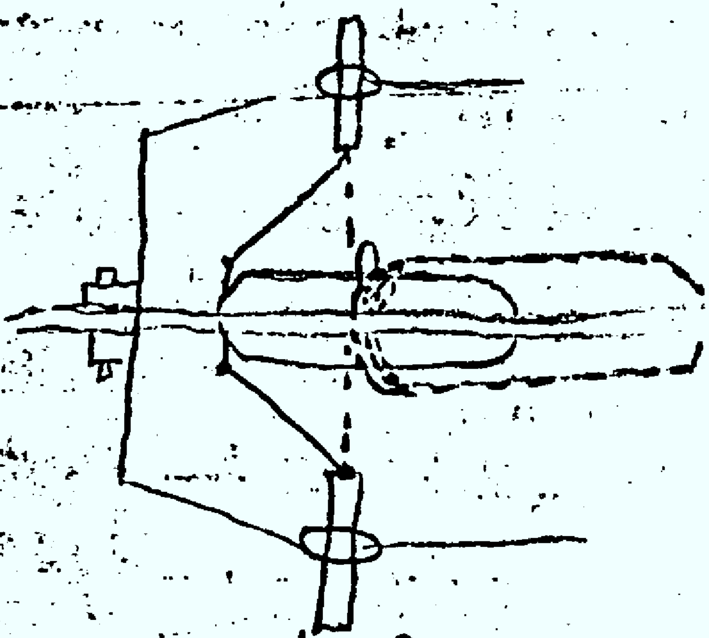
22 January - 0445 and 2200W (approximately)
23 January - 0400 (approximately)

4. On 23 January winds aloft at 1000 feet were reported at 0400W as from 310° T at 35 knots, and at 2000 feet from 240° T at 37 knots, while the object was reported to be on an ascending - westerly course.

COMMENT: In view of the fact that no weather balloons were known to have been released within a reasonable time before the sightings, it appears that the object or objects were not balloons. If not balloons the objects must be regarded as phenomena (possibly meteorites), the exact nature of which could not be determined by this office.

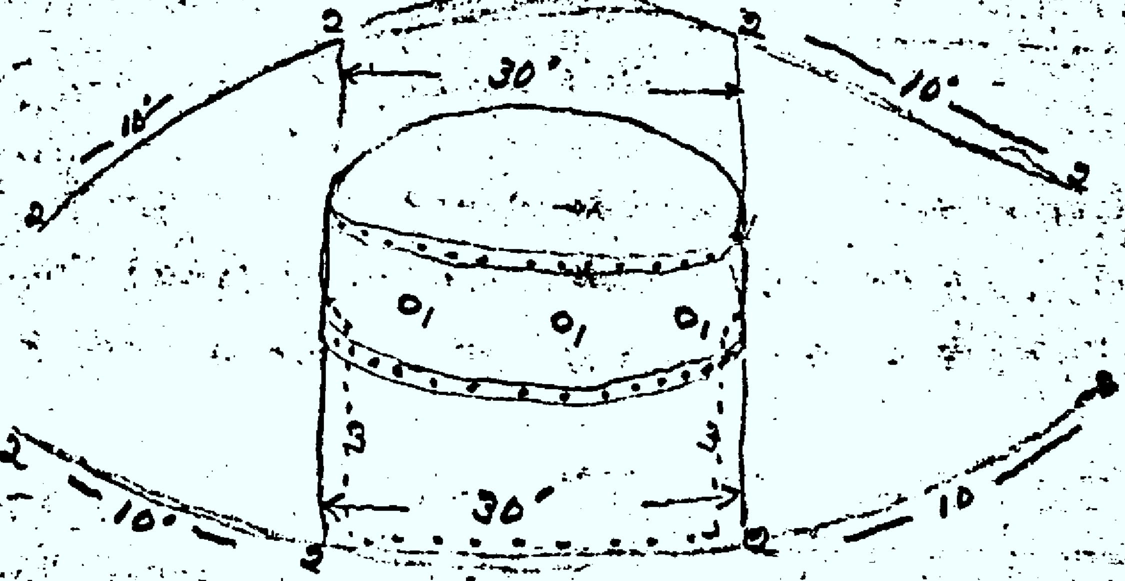
ttached I really do not know our Engineers can type that out so I am sending a set of drawings free hand and these are in detail just exactly like the Russian drawings — so these look a lot better than those I mailed out Sat. and Ubatsky said fter I studied them for quite a spell — that he was trusting me — and should I open my mouth r tell any one of the mechanics I saw in them saucers I would be taken care of an darn fast so hats that. When you get these drawings go to the military fficials and don't get me in dutch I know you will not s my life is the price I would pay — sooner or later the commie agents figured I had give this away and to not have any F.B.I. men tagging me that would look suspicions to the commie agents. I am taking a hell of chance and I want some more information yet from them d I [illegible] pass it along to you as fast as I get it where the jets are fi red in I or did not fi re it out so will save that to you the drawings I sent in sat. with the jet re O.K. That is the jet. - but some of the centrifugal power mechanism is wrong in design. [redacted] had two or three sets f drawings and this copy I am sending you are plain and I elieve better drawings.

In drawing #2 where turnbuckels are hown in cables - they are shortened or lengthened to suit - like his as the weights fly or pull outward - the weights must pull the able straight out or up and down - see no bight in the line olding the weights - line must be straight when engines are in motion and up to speed allowing every thing else is in proportion O K



drawing 3.

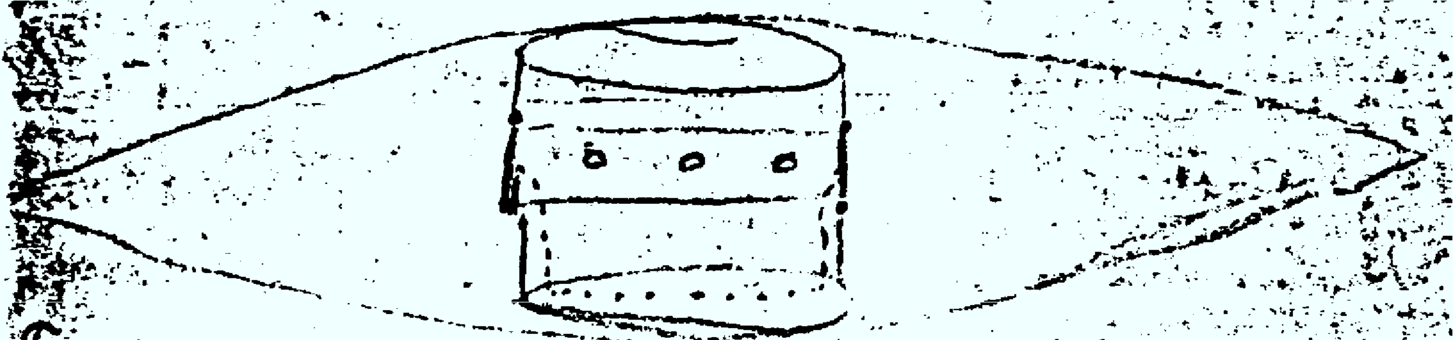
the drawings [illegible] · the saus s put together like this. 3
straight piece circular between top and bottom of saucer = filled
ith ball bearings in a groove top and bottom the center piece
urns but top or bottom does not turn - Top and bottom obey the rudder.
up and down rudder and the sideways rudder.
1, 1. is for the jets to fire out side. from point 2 to point 2 on
30 foot diameter saucer is 10 feet making an overall diameter
50 feet



drawing 4.

of course it does not look like this drawing for curves and
etc - you know what I mean. all the floor in the saucer
s fastened to the center piece as dotted line shows at 3. 3.
guess That is so saucer can be maneuvered or something
My wife or son - or son in law - or daughter know nothing
bout this - and do not tell them - or there would be hell to pay
I think the drawings are plain enough this time.

5
I do not believe is "horse feathers" as much as I did
f the drawings sent you sat. Ubatsky said on the snow
ith runners on this saucer like a sled centrifugal force will
ill hit at a hell of speed. The jets are used on take off
here is wheels on the saucer there are 3 wheels they are pulle
p into places in the saucer from the inside and some how or
then a piece covers the spot on the outside the drawing shows
hat but I cannot figure out how its done from the inside of
he saucer. Now I believe this is all the dope I can give you
of them. Ubatsky said the big saucers are oblong fore and aft
ut round in the middle — just as the round saucers are
something like this. You know what I mean only I canno
raw it.



I will mail this from Ukiah monday 10th 1950 and
rust you will put this into the right hands

Yours Truly

[redacted]

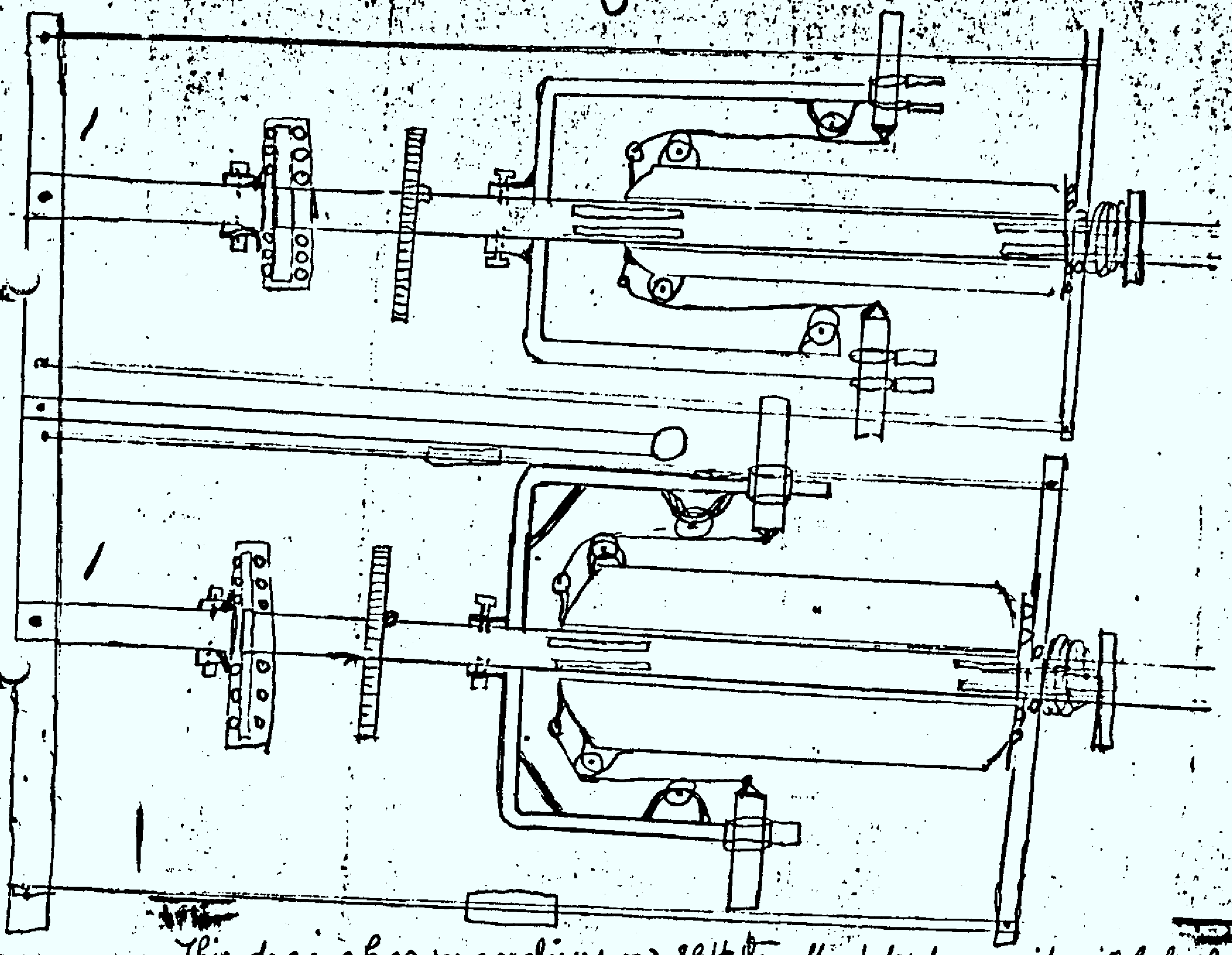
[redacted]

Yuba City
Calif.

P.S.

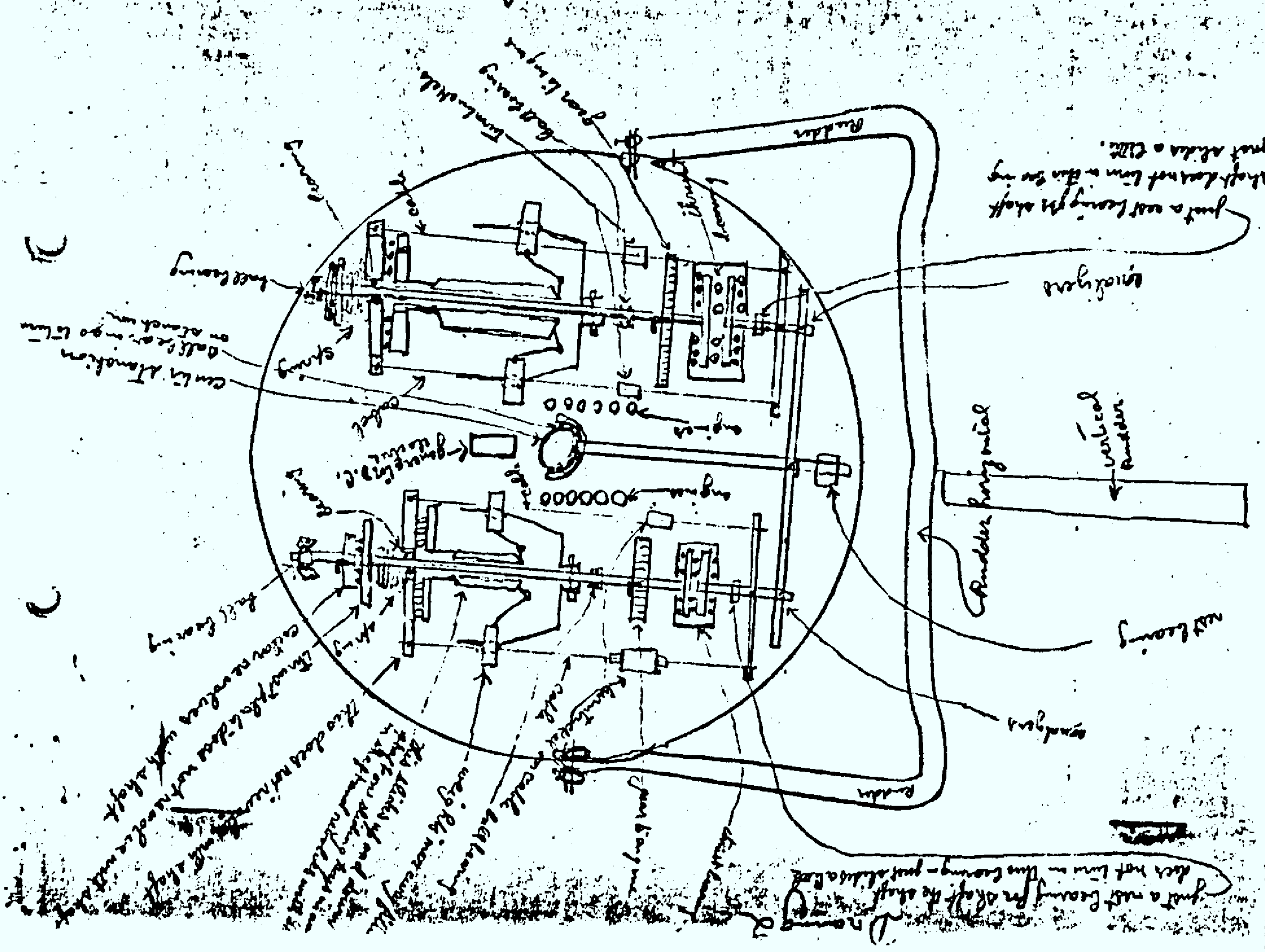
I think I can get some information on the Russian submarine
nd what makes them go so deep down. [redacted] says he is sure
n navy cannot locate them as they got dummies they put out
ome how - in the water and can fool anyone with the dummies,
He said they were making a long range rocket and
uilding this engine it but that the saucer goes as fast
s the rocket will. I was going to patent this engine
ven if I did get it from Ubalsky - I placed my self
n great danger to get it - and am in danger yet if
nyone gives me away. But give it to the U.S.A.
uick and the U.S.A. can give me something for my
fforts, I do not think the U.S.A. will turn me
down - do you? and maybe I will ask a favor of the
F.B.I. - who knows.

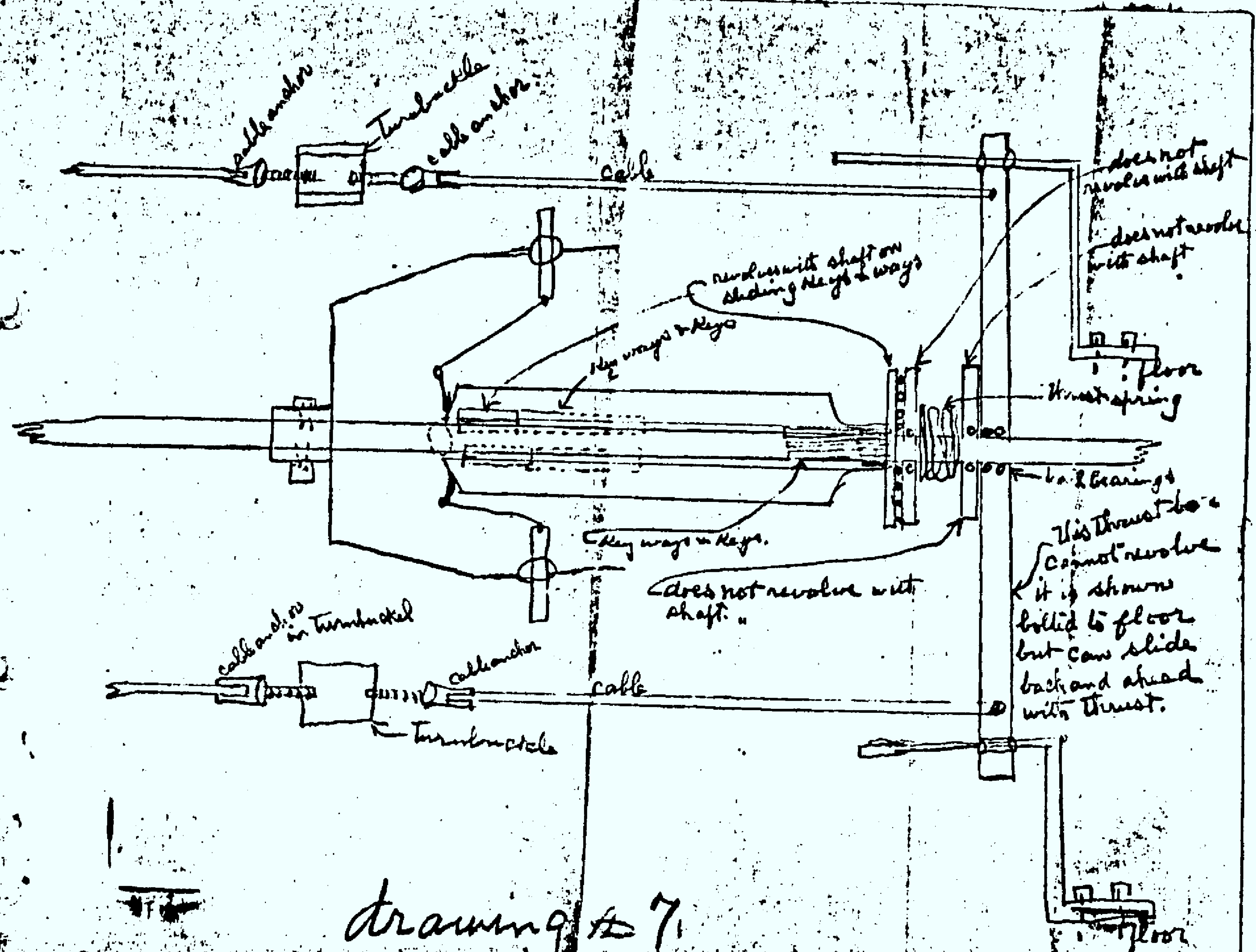
Drawing #1



This drawing has no equalizers on I left them off at 1 + 1 so as it will look plain.
the equalizers are shown in drawing #2

Drawing 2


ball bearing
collar revolves with shaft
This plate does not revolve with shaft
spring
this does not revolve with shaft
This slides up and down on shaft and slides along key way
weight the cross carriage
small ball bearing
turnbuckle
cable
gear to engine
thrust bearing
just a rest bearing for shaft the shaft does not turn in this bearing - just slides a little
Drawing 2
bearing
cable
center stanchion
ball bearing go to turn on stanchion
spring
ball bearing
bearing
cable
generator etc.
engines
engines
cable
turnbuckle
ball bearing
gear to engine
thrust bearing
Rudder
Rudder
just a rest bearing for shaft shaft does not turn in this bearing just slides a little.
universal
rest bearing
Rudder horizontal
vertical Rudder
universal


cable anchor
Turnbuckle
cable anchor
cable
revolves with shaft on sliding keys & ways
key ways & keys
does not revolves with shaft
does not revolve with shaft
floor
thrust spring
ball bearings
This thrust box cannot revolve it is shown bolted to floor but can slide back and ahead with thrust.
key ways in keys.
does not revolve with shaft.
cable anchor in Turnbuckel
cable anchor
cable
Turnbuckle
floor

drawing #7.
J. a. Ward

X 74

April 17, 1950

[redacted]

Mr. [redacted]

Yuba City, California

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EX. 62

Dear [redacted]

Your letters of April 8, 1950, have been received and I want to thank you for writing to me as you did.

It is suggested, however, that you may wish to communicate directly with the Secretary of the Army, National Defense Building, Washington, D. C., with reference to the matter you mentioned.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

MAILED 4
APR 18 1950
COMM - FBI

NOTE: Correspondent advises he has been in contact with the Buffalo Office and states that he has deemed the information he has furnished with reference to flying saucers important enough to write direct to the Bureau. He advises that he desires us to use a plain envelope in connection with our reply and further stipulates that he does not desire that his name be furnished to "Army Chiefs." He has stated that he "wants to get a lot more information to give to you."

Tolson
Ladd
Clegg
Glavin
Nichols
Rosen
Tracy
Harbo
Mohr
Tele. Room
Nease
Gandy

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Yuba City, California 4-8-1950

PCG N.C.

To F. B. I

P. O. Building

Niagara sq.

Buffalo N. Y.

H-1

Flying Saucers

Gentlemen:-

Here is a sketch of a "flying saucer" as was
iven to me by [redacted] a free hand drawing
Herman Ubalsky
y me after going over Ubalskys drawings I was very
nterested in same as to what made it "Tick" and I will
ive you the sketches by me as I have a pretty good
emory on what I see. [redacted] said these "saucers" con
tains tremendous speeds and says when one is launched
ear Leningrad it is but 3 hrs if not in to much of a hurry
o New York, Washington, Boston, Albany and a lot of other
ities on the Atlantic coast.

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I am at Redwood Valley Jc. now in
Calif on 101 highway 9 mi north of Ukiah. Will go back
Yuba City and Marysville and Stockton next week after
as [illegible] understand these "saucers" do not need much

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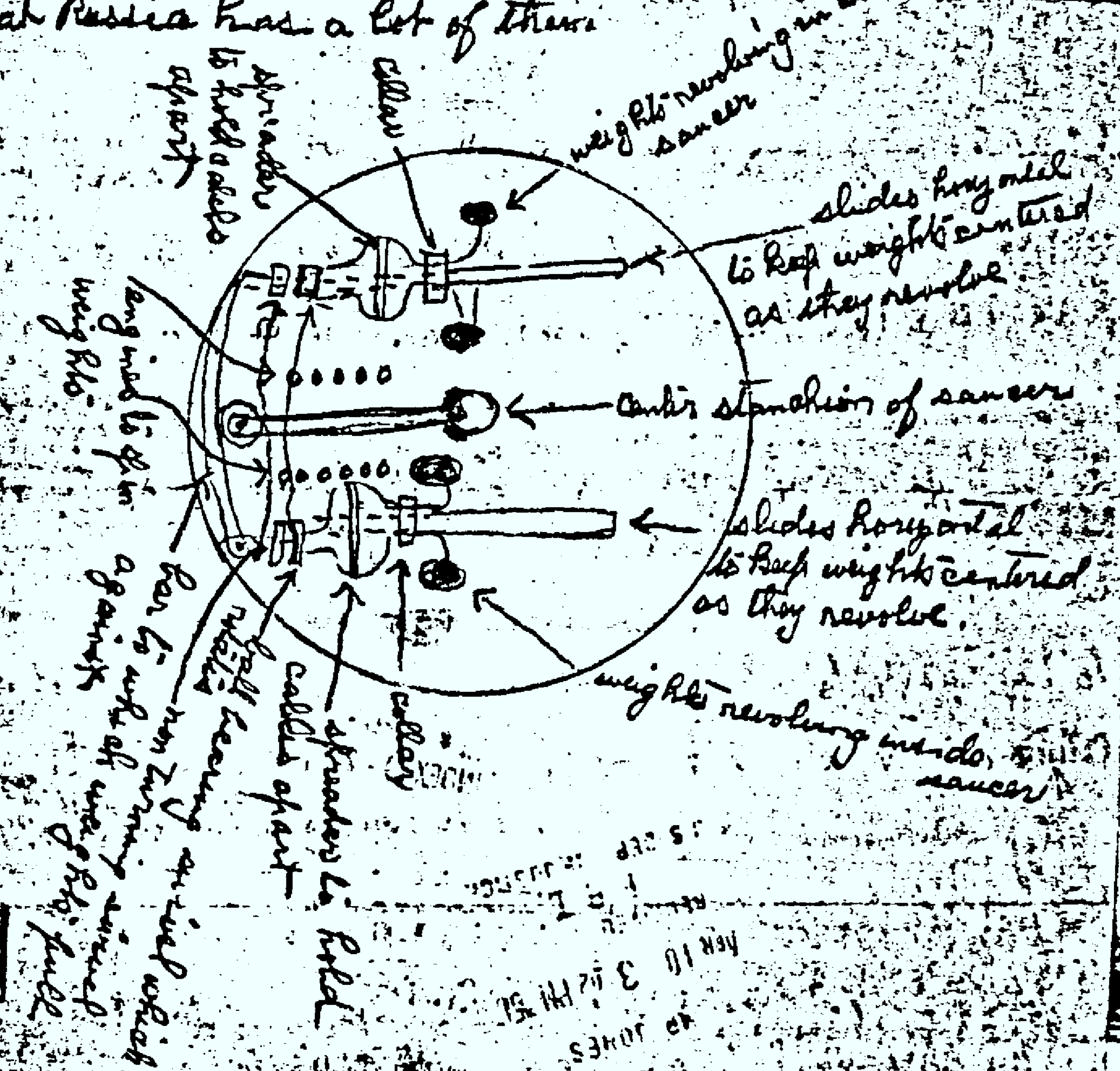
power to run them and Ubalsky says th range over 5000 mi per hr. and go as high as two hundred thousand feet and more. Well give these sketches to our army hiefs of staff and they can soon tell what is what bout I think Ubalsky lied some but it looks kinda good nd that Russia has a lot of them


weights revolving inside saucer
collar
spreader to hold cables apart
slides horizontal to keep weights centered as they revolve
center stanchion of saucer
slides horizontal to keep weights centered as they revolve.
weights revolving inside saucer
collar
spreaders to hold cables apart
ball bearing swivel which rotates
non turning swivel
bar to which weights pull against
engines to spin weights

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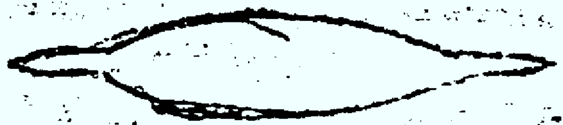
JONES

this uses centrifugal force and is cabl connected weights that revolve at right angles to the pull on the "saucer": I presume engines are synchronyed as to speed the wt. of the revolving balls gives the pull to pull "saucer" and the whole mechanism is inside of the "saucer" there are a bottom and top saucer

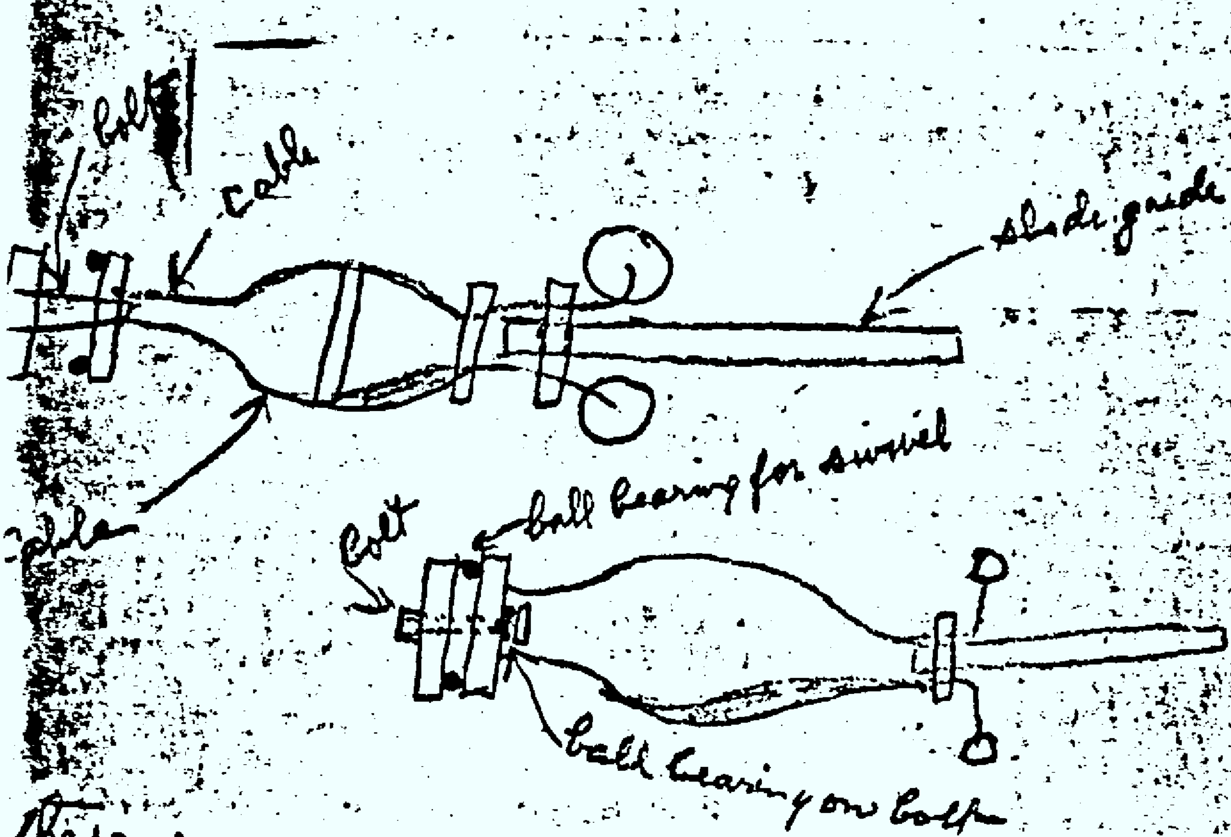
He said there is an up and down rudder and a sideways rudder but very small and they are handeled by electronic gadgets at high speed

The saucers are made of magnesium and reinforced for strength they look something like this the saucers it looks are air tight



these drawings are not much - but there is not mach to them as I cannot give dimensions our Tech will have to figure that out as I am dam brak to find this out and be all to-gether.

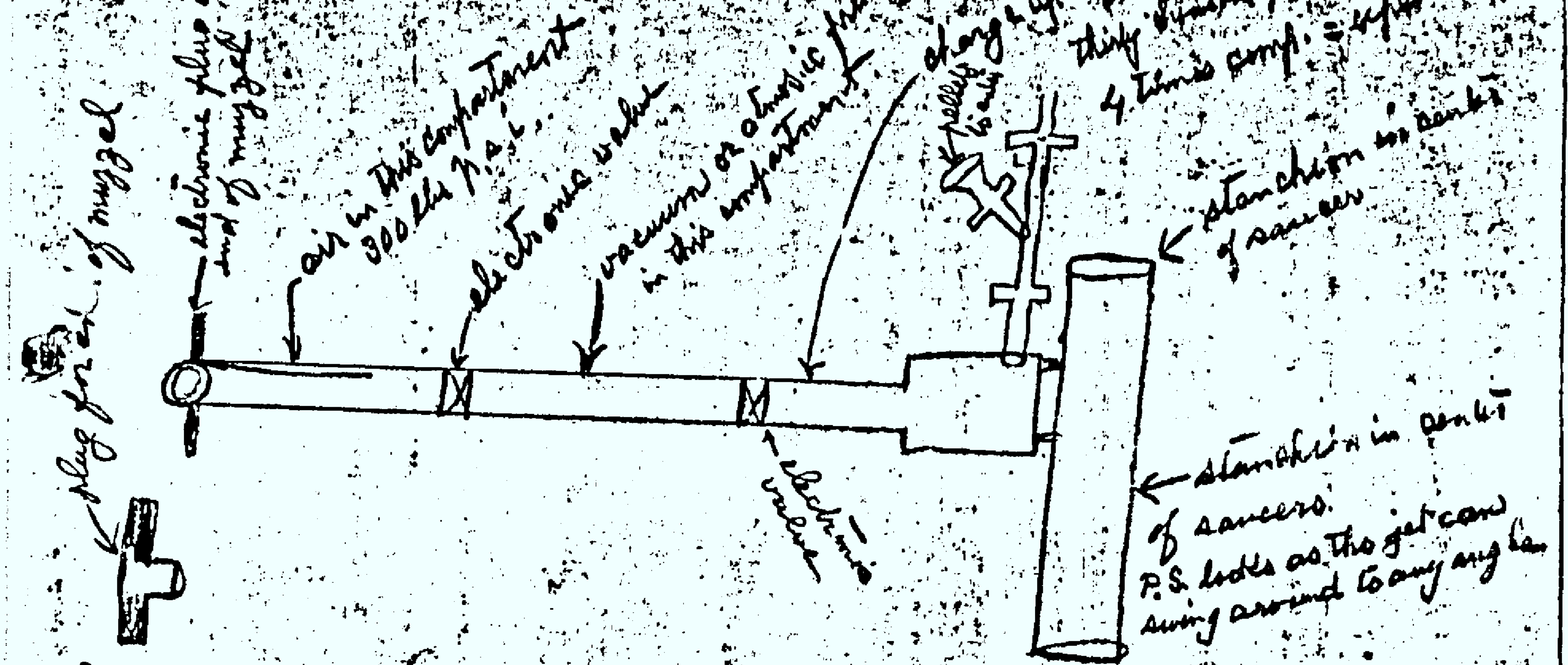
7 The saucers are launched by a catt ult.


bolt
cable
slide guide
ble
bolt
ball bearing for swivel
ball bearing on bolt

hese saucers are 30 feet and more in dia and not very heavy Ubalsky says. The plane division of our my can soon figure this out I cannot as it is ut of my line but I seen the mechanics of it I did ot see any propellor on it in the drawings I saw hy use a jet on it to so Ubalsky says.

They use pellets in a case in the jet nd it fires like a cannon and the recoil sends the saucers very fast

The jet


plug for end of muzzel
electronic plug in end of muzzel
air in this compartment 300 lbs p.s.i.
electronic valve
vacuum or atmospheric press in this compartment
charge up to 3 thousand to thirty thousand p.s.i. 4 times comp. = explosion
pellets to valve
stanchion in center of saucer
electronic valve
stanchion in center of saucers.
P.S. looks as tho the jet can swing around to any angle

This jet is loaded with capsules by air door traps and the capsule containing ag. The gasolene is put into a pressure of say 10,000 lbs p.s.i. the capsule is isted and out comes the gasolene in that high press. of air or something else take place of air two electrodes set it off the capsule falls between the ends of the ectrodes every time the charge leaving by the opening of the electronic valve goes thru i vacuum ~~chamber~~ and hits the air press. chamber the air in chamber is the ~~[illegible]~~ t just the right split sec. the elect muzzel plug controlled by electronics is opened and the recoil when all is timed o.k sends saucer at good speed.

[redacted] says at high altitudes the set will speed
p to - well he don't know but it is a terrific speed
e said he thought 10 thousand mi, per, hr.

For This does not look like a lot of horse feathers
so I am putting it into your hands as if it is a trap
for me its only you can get me in dutch and I know
ou won't do That - but get it into our army chiefs hand
for I do not know if this will fly or not - but on the
ther hand it may be all O.K. so what.

[redacted] is 5 feet 8" tall wt. 175 square faced quite
large mouth gold teeth left side upper light hair sort of red chee
ig arms all around stout square hands short fat fingers
nd talks good english - blue eyes. has friends in Buffalo
owa, is a Russian Pole and was in world two, in Europe.

He has gone to Ketchican he knows some folks
here he said he got off a sub marine and gave a fisherman
sum of money to get him ashore, near Eureka and he said
was drifting inshore in a drift boat made of rubber when
icked up - he said there was nothing to it getting ashore.

When you give this to the army chiefs keep
my name out of it - I want to get a lot more information to give
you

I guess this is all for now - and I'll rite you again as soon as I learn anything worth while.

Yours Truly

[redacted]

[redacted]

Yuba City
Calif.

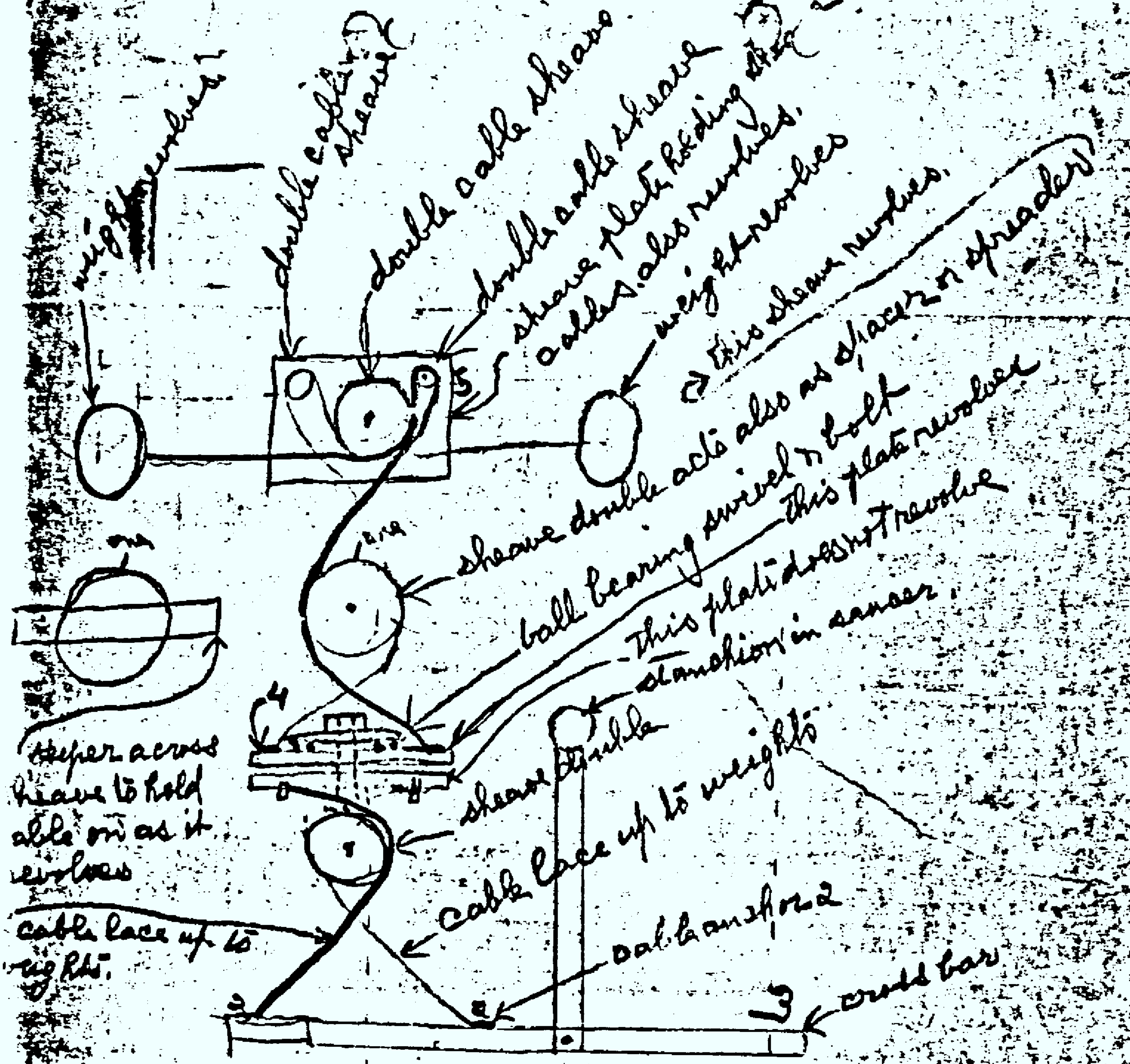
P.S.

I have been in contact with the Buffalo Office and they can tell you more - so I decided to send this direct to you to the head office in case the office with Buffalo on this letter as I deem it important enough to go direct to you. If you write me do not forget to use perfectly plain envelope - no markings on it - just in case.

I am putting this in your hands because I do not know who is a Comanie in Washington and who is not. I leave that to you and I know you will not give me away.

I am nervous over this and if this being the dope he gave me — well if it ever got out I am a dead duck sure as hell ut the U.S.A. first and myself well I don't amount to much my hon [redacted] said another party will contact me if he don't n due time not any particular date. He said Russia is very ell prepared for war and will make darn short work of Europe d England, Spain, France & India, Japan & Phillipines, and he aid it will be soon and when Russia starts it will make Hitler's litz look like a lot of school kids he says he thinks Russia has 350 atomic bombs. If you want any plainer drawings f them saucers - yes I can draw plainer lines of course ut the Air tech. engineers will dope it out - you see I am no ood on electronic gadgets as required on this saucer but hat is a good description of the drawings I saw.

In case you write to me put same n plain envelope and address it to me at [redacted] Yuba City - Calif. The jet I pictured is just the same as was on the drawings Ubalsky had. I would like to hear bout this as this will give me an idea if this Ubalsky is trying to give me horse feathers - I think tho it is not any baloney - but maybe it is.


weight revolves
double cable sheave
double cable sheave
double cable sheave
sheave plate holding the cables also revolves.
5
weight revolves
this sheave revolves.
sheave double acts also as spacer or spreader
ball bearing swivel & bolt
this plate revolves
this plate does not revolve
stanchion in saucer
one
one
4
keeper across sheave to hold cable on as it revolves
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cable lace up to weights
cable lace up to weights.
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2
cross bar
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this shows lace of cable to weights and sheaves.
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etail of one the other one is left out it would be at 3
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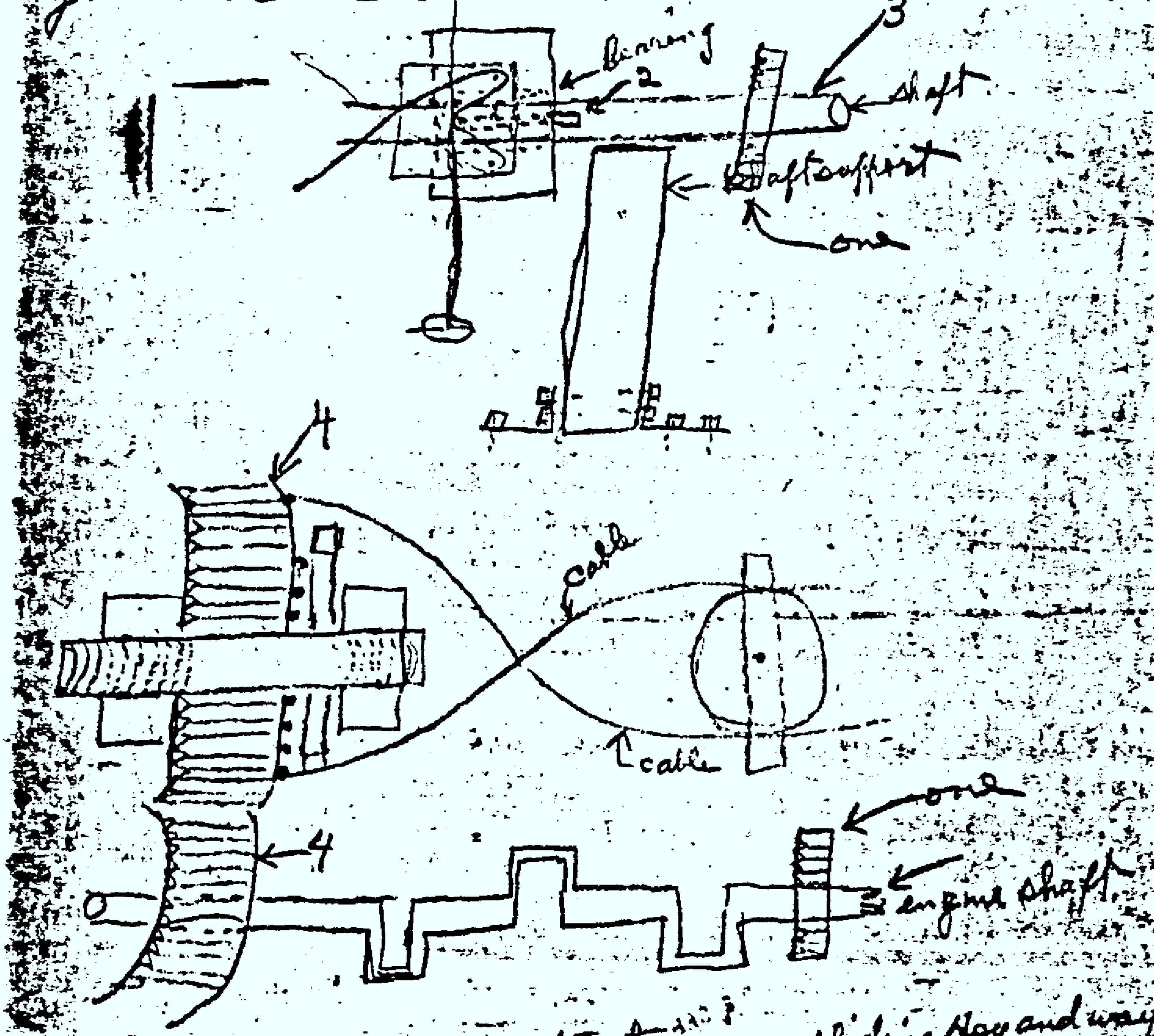
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e and one cog wheels mate there is a sliding stay and way
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he shaft 3 causing the weights to revolve. the cog wheels 4 & 4
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s I can remember it from the drawings.

?. I do not know how the [illegible] go on he said hey were manual control, Hydraulic control. and electronic ontrol as they pulled hard at high speed.

The jet is fed by pellets carefully roportioned to the charge in the jet chamber and are fed o it fast by gadgets operated by electronics so as they go ast and accurate. I gave the idea that is all I cannot raw the gadgets as I do not know how. But I saw in he drawings electric control on them.

He says they can light on a pond and take off on a pond or even flat land he said they can light nd take off if they have to but its darn rough going.

I wonder if thats "horse feathers".

well that is all I know about it the rest you will have o dope out. I have looked my copies over after I left him nd while the drawings were fresh in my head I can see othing further to try and tell you about

In case you do not know I am the ellow who reported to the Buffalo office when I lived at [redacted], [redacted] in Buffalo. I am working on an engine that goes y the cosmic ray. The Russians want to get this - rest assured hey never will so they make contact with me and see what I got say about this engine. You likely know about it if you inquire

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI DATE: 4/18/50

FROM : SAC, Phoenix

SUBJECT: [redacted]
INFORMATION CONCERNING
FLYING DISCS

Rebulet 6/30/49. 62-83894-183

On 4/17/50 Mr. [redacted] advised he had been contacted by True Magazine and would like to secure the photographs which he had made available to the Air Force Intelligence.

He was referred to OSI, Fourth Air Force Base, San Francisco, California, since the photographs desired were made available by him to a representative of A-2 of the Fourth Air Force on 8/30/47.

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April 11, 1950

Secretary of the Air Force
National Defense Building
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

Flying Saucers

Miss [redacted]
Geneva, Illinois

Enclosed is a copy of a communication dated April 4, 1950, from the captioned individual, which is furnished to you for any action deemed appropriate.

Enclosure

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Memo by [illegible] 4/8/50

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

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TELETYPE

Mr. Ladd
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Mr. Mohr
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FBI, BUFFALO 4-8-50 12-52 PM

DIRECTOR, FBI URGENT

FLYING SAUCERS COMPLAINT. [redacted] THAT FLYING SAUCER HAD LANDED NEAR ELMIRA, NY AIRPORT. RESIDENT AGENT AT ELMIRA ADVISES "FLYING SAUCER" WAS CORRUGATED CARDBOARD BOX, FORTY INS. IN DIAMETER, ONE FOOT THICK AT CENTER. ENTIRE BOX PAINTED ALUMINUM. CROSLEY RADIO TUBE ATTACHED TO CENTER OF BOX WITH LOOSE WIRES HANGING FROM EACH SIDE OF TUBE, TRUCKER-S RED FLARE CONNECTED TO BOTTOM OF BOX, WHICH FLARE HAD SCORCHED GRASS AREA BENEATH BOX. NO WITNESSES AS TO ACTUAL FLIGHT AND BOX IS DESCRIBED AS TOO FRAGILE TO WITHSTAND FLIGHT. BUREAU BEING ADVISED AS PRESS INQUIRIES HAVE BEEN RECEIVED AND ARE BEING ANSWERED ACCORDING TO THE ABOVE FACTS.

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CORRECTION

FIFTH LINE FORTH WORD SHOULD BE "ATTACHED"

cc Mr Belmont

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT

DATE: April 8, 1950

FROM : [redacted]

SUBJECT: FLYING SAUCER COMPLAINT
[redacted]

[redacted] regarding a flying saucer and advising that press inquiries are being answered by the Buffalo Office.

Mr. [redacted] was contacted and he advised that the Duty Officer at the Office of Special Investigations, Inspector General, Air Force, should be contacted and furnished the information regarding the flying saucer.

Captain [redacted] Air Force, Duty Officer, was telephonically contacted and furnished the information regarding the flying saucer.

SA [redacted] was contacted and advised of the teletype and that a statement was contained therein that press inquiries had been received and were being answered. [redacted] instructed that the Buffalo Office be telephonically contacted and advised that they should furnish the information regarding the flying saucer to the Air Force Office in that area and that any press inquiries regarding the flying saucer should be referred to the Air Force in that area.

SA [redacted] of the Buffalo Office was telephonically contacted and advised of the above instructions.

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April 11, 1950

Miss [redacted]

Geneva, Illinois

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Dear [redacted]

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Your letter dated April 4, 1950, has been received and I want to thank you for furnishing me the data you related.

I am taking the liberty of referring a copy of your communication to the Secretary of the Air Force, National Defense Building, The Pentagon, Washington 25, D. C.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

NOTE: Security Division, Espionage Unit, advised "Flying Saucer" data is being referred to the Air Force.

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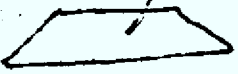
U. S. TREASURY DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF DISTRICT SUPERVISOR
DISTRICT NO. 9, ALCOHOL TAX UNIT
734 NEW POST OFFICE BUILDING
CHICAGO 7, ILL.

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE
Alcohol Tax Unit.
IN REPLY REFER TO:

April 2, 1950

Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington D.C.

This is not an April Fool joke.

Saturday, April 1, 1950 at about 6 P.M. I was driving north on Route 47 - west of Geneva, Illinois and a little north of St Charles Illinois. Just ahead, thru the windshield I saw a silvery white object in the sky. It was traveling west at about the speed of an air plane. It was shaped like this . I was driving at 35 M.P.H. and slowed down to 20 M.P.H. to watch this object. It went behind a white cloud and I continued to watch but the object did not come out from behind the cloud as far as I could see.

Geneva is 35 miles west of Chicago, and just north of Chicago is the Glenview Airport, operated I believe by the Navy. The Saturday Evening Post carried an article sometime ago about the flying saucers and it said to report anything like the above to the F.B.I.

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EX-27

Date: May 17, 1950

To: Director
Office of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
The Pentagon
Washington, D. C.

From: J. Edgar Hoover – Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: FLYING DISCS

There are attached hereto for your information in connection with the captioned matter a communication written in Spanish dated March 19, 1950, at Veracruz, Veracruz, Mexico, and enclosures addressed to the "Presidente de la Comision de Investigacion Cientifica de Estados Unidos de Norte America."

In view of the fact that a translation of the above referred to communication reflects the correspondent's interest in flying discs, it is being furnished to your office for appropriate attention. The files of this Bureau contain no information which can be identified with the writer of this letter. No reply has been made to the writer of this letter by this Bureau in view of the fact that it was not addressed to this Bureau.

Attachment

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APPROPRIATE AGENCIES AND FIELD OFFICES ADVISED BY ROUTING SLIP(S) OF 2070 DATE 9/1/77

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SAC, San Francisco April 25, 1950

Director, FBI

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Yuba City, California
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By letter dated April 9, 1950, captioned individual wrote to the Bureau with reference to matters pertaining to "flying saucers." A photostatic copy of his communication is enclosed. It is noted that correspondent has referred to his contact with an individual named [redacted] and reference is made to "Russian drawings."

It is desired that you have an agent of your office contact correspondent to secure any data which may be of interest to the Bureau. It should be kept in mind, however, that the FBI is not conducting an investigation with reference to "flying saucer matters" and the correspondent should be advised that he may wish to communicate with the Secretary of the Air Force, National Defense Building, The Pentagon, Washington 25, D. C.

Please furnish me all information concerning the handling of this matter.

Enclosure

NOTE: Correspondent advised that he has previously furnished data to the Bureau. It is believed this communication was referred to the Army Air Force. He has advised in his letter of April 9, that some drawings pertaining to flying saucers were executed in what he believes to be the Russian language, and it is deemed advisable to have him personally contacted to discourage further correspondence and to obtain any information he might have in his possession pertaining to matters which may be in the scope of our activities.

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Federal Bureau Investigation
Washington
D.C.

Flying Saucers

Gentlemen:

I saw [redacted] last Saturday in Willits, efore he got on the bus to go to Eureka. I went to Willits for the mail for my son-in-law.

In our talk he said well if here is anything in the drawings of the mechanism f the saucer that will help you along on your Americay engine use it - here are the drawings look hem over and if you can find anything to help you o.k. Those drawings are made in Russian I think s I could not read the instructions or lettering a ut I did see and he explained to me the centrifugal at pulls the saucer ~~and~~ to inside the saucer I seen the rudders of it & just how they are

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Chas

in the [illegible] office The story is to long to write it down to-day feel jittery about this fellow Ubalsky as I think he is a very bad egg and etc. He was friendly to me and told me to do the best I could and when get it done to let them know and my price will be paid pronto. This keeps me on a footing with them and I stall them off all the time.

Well this is the saucer as I have it for you.

Yours Truly

[redacted]

Yuba City
Calif.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI DATE: April 11, 1950

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: [redacted]

There is enclosed a letter directed to the "President of the Commission of Scientific Investigation of the United States of North America," which was received at this office on April 7, 1950. This letter is dated at Veracruz, March 19, 1950, and is from a [redacted]. There is attached to this letter an English translation, together with a newspaper clipping in the Spanish language and four hand-drawn designs. Because of the technical language used, it is rather difficult to determine whether the information is authentic or whether the author of this material is either psychotic or neurotic.

It is suggested that the Bureau may desire to have the enclosed examined by some Government agency familiar with the language appearing therein for its ultimate dissemination.

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Enclosures

Enc & transl. with letter to [illegible] 5-1?-50 EN [illegible]

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Congress at the Halfway Mark

VOLUME XXVIII—No. 14 U.S.News & World Report WASHINGTON, D.C.

FLYING SAUCERS—THE REAL STORY: U.S. BUILT FIRST ONE IN 1942

Jet-Propelled Disks Can Outfly Other Planes

Observers of "flying saucers" aren't just seeing things. They're real—aircraft that conform to accepted laws.

Sky disks, manned by regular pilots, can hover aloft, spurt ahead at tremendous speed, outmaneuver conventional craft.

No official announcements are being made yet. But about the only big secret left is who makes them. Evidence points to Navy experiments.

The real story on "flying saucers" is finally coming to light. What the saucers are, how they operate, and how they have been tested in U.S., all can be told in detail at this time.

That story, without violating present security regulations, points to these basic conclusions by engineers competent to appraise reports of reliable observers:

Flying saucers, seen by hundreds of competent observers over most parts of U.S., are accepted as real. Evidence is that they are aircraft of a revolutionary type, a combination of helicopter and fast jet plane. They conform to well-known principles of aerodynamics. An early model of these saucers was built by U.S. engineers in 1942, achieved more than 100 successful test flights. That project then was taken over by the Navy in wartime. Much more advanced models now are being built. Just where present saucers are being [illegible] is indicated by evidence [illegible] available.

In more detail, the story pieced together from nonsecret testimony of responsible U.S. scientists, private observers and military officials, is this:

Early models of the flying saucer pictured on this page and the next were built by U.S. Government engineers of the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics. Similar flying-saucer projects were begun in Germany and Italy at the same time, in 1942.

The first U.S. model, designed by Charles H. Zimmerman, of NACA, was elliptical in shape, powered by two piston engines and driven by twin propellers. It had a maximum speed between 400 and 500 miles an hour. More important, it could rise almost vertically and its minimum speed for landing was only about 35 miles an hour, a great advantage in military and naval aircraft. And it was far more maneuverable than conventional military planes.

Idea behind those original flying-saucer projects, both in U.S. and abroad in Germany and Italy, was to overcome basic drawbacks of conventional aircraft by new techniques. A plane that could rise almost straight would not need long airfields, could be used from any cleared area just behind front-line troops or from the deck of any Navy combat ship. If that plane, in addition, had great speed and more maneuverability, it could probably outfly any conventional aircraft. In United States, the first model seemed to fulfill these requirements, but the lessened stability of the wingless craft required more research.

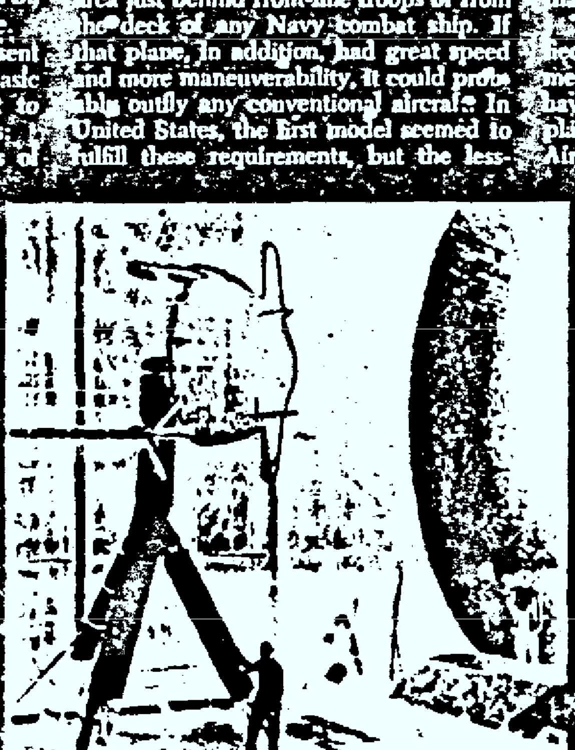
Present flying saucers apparently have overcome this problem of stability by use of very advanced design. An analysis of reports submitted by competent observers show this:

What they look like, first, is described in well-documented accounts. Those accounts show saucers to be exactly 105 feet in diameter, circular in shape. They have what appear to be jet nozzles arranged all around the outer rim, just below the center of gravity. They are made of a metal alloy, with a dull whitish color. There are no rudders, ailerons, or other protruding surfaces. From the side, the saucers appear about 10 feet thick—there are no exact measurements from this angle in publicly available accounts. They are built in three layers, with the center layer slightly larger in diameter than the other two.

That is the picture agreed on by qualified observers of saucers in flight—commercial aircraft pilots, fighter pilots who have chased these aircraft, trained airplane spotters, high-ranking Army and Air Force officers. It is backed by exact measurement made by a group of scientists last April near White Sands Proving Ground base, with instruments set up to observe high-altitude balloons, who suddenly observed a saucer and tracked it for several minutes, thereby getting reliable data on its size, speed, altitude and maneuverability.

How they operate now can be told in some detail, too. Based on this description, the probable technique used by current saucers is explained by a top-level Government aeronautical engineer in this manner:

Power for these aircraft, at their present stage of development, obviously is supplied by jet engines. Each saucer appears to have a series of variable-direction jet nozzles around its rim, with a complicated central control system. Fuel used is unknown—the exhaust flame has been observed to be red-orange in some cases, blue in other [illegible]

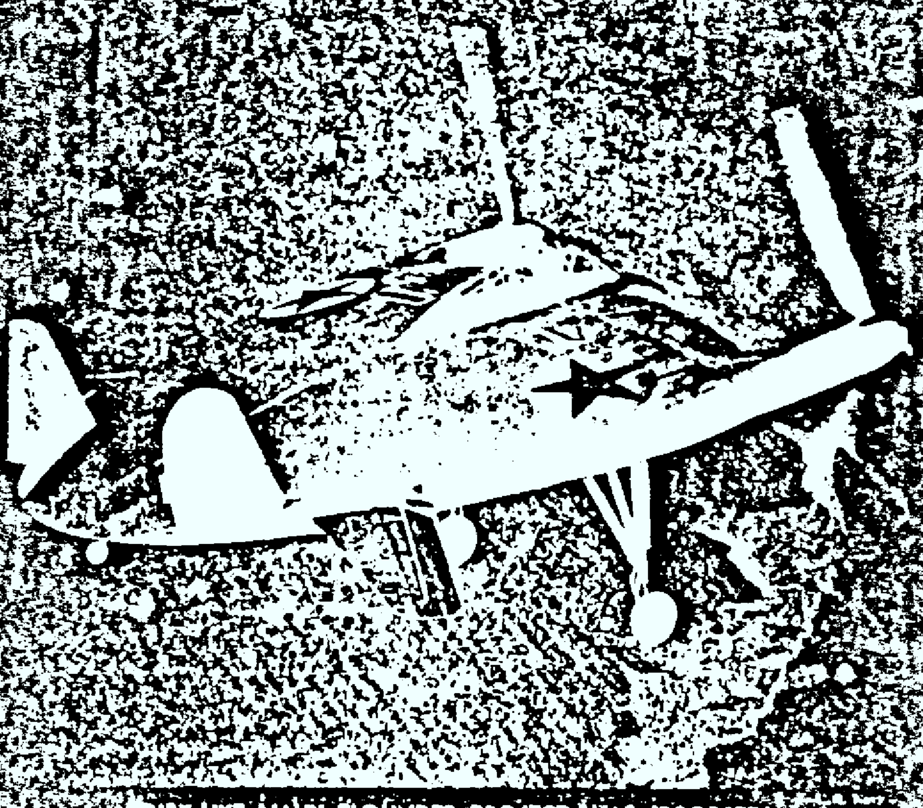


—NACA photo

U.S. SAUCER—1942 MODEL

[illegible] combination [illegible] jet plane

FACT: THESE DESIGNS, AND LATER ONES ARE REAL



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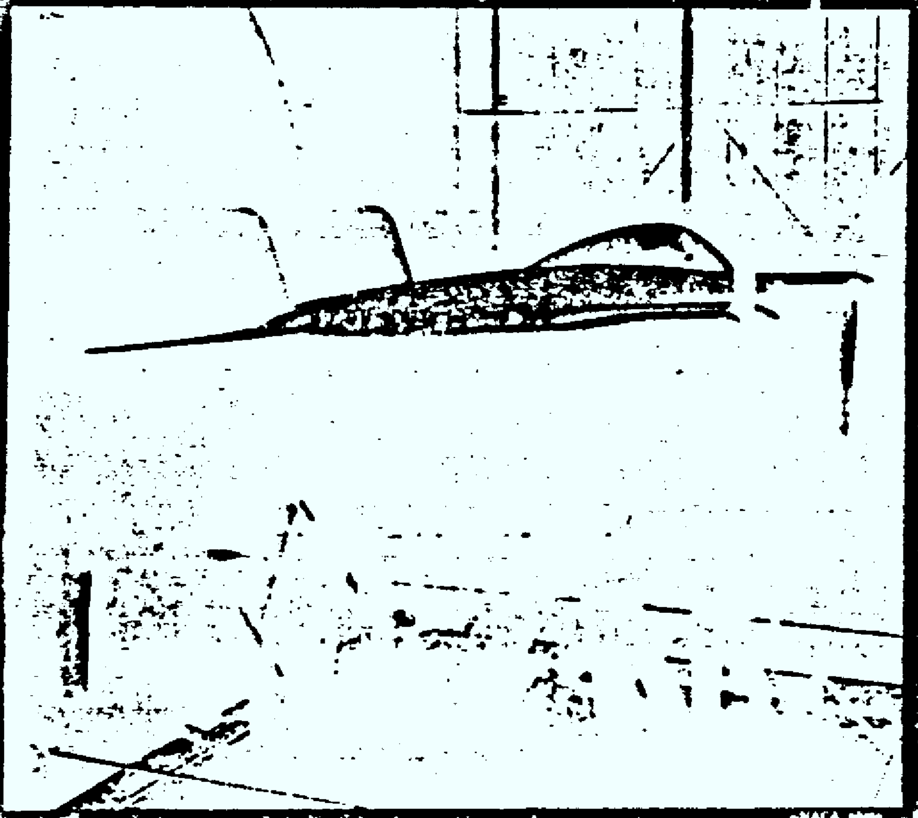

—NACA photo

MOCK-UP OF EARLY MODEL IS TESTED IN WIND TUNNEL

Latest models are circular, faster, more maneuverable

ing in still others. The saucers appear to have the power to "coast" long distances, thus saving on fuel consumption.

Direction of the aircraft and its velocity, in turn, evidently are controlled by the angle at which the jet nozzles are tilted, the number operating, the power applied. By choosing which nozzles to turn on or off and the angle of tilt, the pilot could make the saucer rise or descend vertically, hover, fly straight ahead, or make sharp turns. A right-angle turn, for example, could be made by turning off the rear jets, turning on the side and front nozzles. Great speed can be obtained by focusing to the rear all nozzles in the after half of the aircraft. With all nozzles pointed downward, the saucer could rise straight off the ground, and, with less power, could descend the same way.

That is the explanation, based on accepted principles of aerodynamics, given by an authoritative engineer as the likely answer to how these saucer aircraft operate. As evidence that this explanation is correct, there are these actual cases of publicly observed saucer behavior:

Rows of window-like openings around the rims of saucers traveling at more than 500 miles an hour are mentioned in several documented reports. In all cases, these "windows" glowed as if they were jet-nozzle openings. The most recent of these reports was made last month by two experienced pilots of the Chicago and Southern Air Lines, who passed within 1,000 feet of a saucer traveling over Arkansas. Another similar report was made by two Eastern Air Lines pilots who narrowly missed colliding with a saucer in July, 1948, while flying a DC-3 over Georgia.

Saucers' ability to hover in mid-air, accelerate at tremendous speed, and then rise almost vertically is described in several reports, one documented by Air Force officers at Fort Knox, Ky. That saucer, seen by dozens of officers at the post, was chased by three military pilots flying fast F-51s. The saucer quickly outmaneuvered the planes.

Speed of one saucer was measured by ground instruments in the White Sands case at well over the speed of sound, indicating the use of a number of jet engines. Cruising speed has been estimated in other cases at 200 to 600 miles an hour.

What it all adds up to is this: Flying saucers being observed in many parts of the U.S. are not mysterious visitors from Mars. They are actual planes, soundly engineered on principles developed by U.S. in wartime. By using this new design, they can do things that no conventional aircraft can be expected to approach.

Who's building the saucers now being observed in test flights over U.S.

is not yet publicly disclosed. It cannot be proved until a public announcement is made or until a saucer crashes away from its home base—which is highly unlikely because of its jet helicopter action that makes take-offs and landings almost completely safe. But there are these factors that point to an answer:

Official inquiry by the Air Force, in the face of overwhelming evidence that the saucers are real, was called off last December. This indicates clearly that top Air Force officials know where the saucers originate and are not concerned about them, as they would be if these aircraft were from Russia or Mars. These officials, at the same time, denied emphatically that a secret Air Force project is responsible.

Best use of fully developed saucer aircraft, however, could be made in wartime not by the Air Force, but by the Navy. All fleet operations now require an air cover, even in antisubmarine warfare, and a plane that can rise like a helicopter could be used from any Navy combat ship, not only from big, expensive aircraft carriers. It was for that reason that the first U.S. flying saucer was purchased by the Navy after the original model was tested in 1942. That first full-size aircraft, built by Chance-Vought, was thoroughly tested by Navy engineers. Then a statement was released that this project had been dropped. Early experimenting with saucers, thus, centered in the Navy.

Big spending on missile aircraft centers in the Navy now, too. More than twice as many dollars were spent by the Navy last year as by the Air Force on secret guided-missile research. There is no public accounting for these millions, the only Government funds aside from atomic-energy dollars that still are being spent with great secrecy.

Surface indications, then, point to research centers of the U.S. Navy's vast guided-missile project as the scene of present flying-saucer development. That project has the scientists, the engineers, the dollars, the motive, and the background of early Navy development of saucer-type aircraft. This likelihood will remain, despite any future denials by the Navy front office, until secrecy is lifted on the big missile program.

But, regardless of just where these saucers are being built now, the evidence points to a U.S. development that will mean a radical change in aircraft design in coming decades. In war, this combination of helicopter and fast jet plane will easily outfly any present type of military aircraft. In peacetime, the safety of a nearly crash-proof aircraft may be [illegible] population of [illegible] in the

FANCY: SPACE SHIPS, MONSTERS, MARTIANS, MAYHEM

NOCTURNAL 'INVASION'

SURPRISE PACKAGE FROM MARS

A PLANE DESIGNER'S DAYDREAM

HOME MADE SAUCER

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stated that while it was highly improbable that aircraft could sustain flight at an altitude of 100,000 feet, it was absolutely possible from a scientific and engineering standpoint. Therefore, it was his opinion that the matter should be followed closely. He arranged for Captain [redacted] whom he termed radar expert, to observe with [redacted] during the evening of March 3, 1950 the radar equipment on which [redacted] had detected the object.

Immediately following this conference, Special Agent [redacted] contacted Mr. [redacted], Physical Security and Plant Protection Branch, U. S. AEC, and Mr. [redacted], Assistant Chief, Security Division, U. S. AEC, to advise them of the findings and to determine what action was being taken by AEC. Both [redacted] advised that the matter had been referred to 3rd Army authorities and that beyond this, no steps had been taken. It was their belief, however, that a radar technician was being sent down, probably from Washington, to inspect the equipment owned by [redacted]. It was erroneously reported that a CIA technician would come to Oak Ridge.

Also, immediately following this conference above stated, Special Agent [redacted], OSI, called his headquarters at Maxwell Field, Alabama to determine if any action were being taken with regard to having radar equipment flown to this area to verify or disprove the findings of [redacted]. [redacted] was advised that he should act only in the capacity of an observer in the matter but that such radar equipment would be flown up, if requested by the AEC.

Special Agent [redacted], CIC, stated he had also been advised by his headquarters at Atlanta to act in the capacity of an observer and that, accordingly, he had not as yet been advised whether or not the 3rd Army intended to send mobile radar equipment to the area to verify or disprove the findings of [redacted]. Inquiry was made by Special Agent [redacted], OSI, of AEC as to whether or not they would request having radar equipment flown in by OSI authorities, and he was told by AEC that while the AEC was, of course, vitally interested in anything which directly affected the safety of the area, they nevertheless did not feel that they had the authority to make a specific request for such action inasmuch as the protection of the area from assault was the responsibility of the 3rd Army. Accordingly, they could not make any direct request for such equipment.

During the evening of March 3, 1950, Special Agent [redacted] and myself, together with SA [redacted] (OSI), remained at the Naval Reserve Armory, Alcoa Highway, during which time search was being conducted by the radar equipment at this installation. Captain [redacted], NEPA, and Special Agent [redacted] CIC, were at the home of [redacted] observing his radar equipment during this search. No object was reported by [redacted] during this evening and therefore Captain [redacted] had no opportunity to observe his equipment in action, particularly in reference to the reported object at such phenomenal altitudes. No unusual objects were detected by the radar equipment of the U. S. Naval Reserve Armory during the entire evening.

Upon abandoning the watch on this evening, a meeting was held with Captain [redacted] after leaving [redacted] residence in order to ascertain [redacted] opinion. [redacted] stated he had found [redacted] to be technically incorrect in several matters relating to radar theory and practice and, in addition thereto, had very grave doubts as to the capabilities of the surplus APN-7 radar set which had been adapted by [redacted]. He stated, however, that he had insufficient opportunity to observe the set in practice or to examine the radio equipment connected with the set to make any definite statements as to whether or not the detection of the unknown object would be possible with said equipment. He said, however, he did feel that [redacted] was a capable person with pure radio technique.

On the morning of March 4, 1950 at 10:30 [redacted] again contacted Special Agent [redacted] of this office and Special Agent [redacted] CIC, to advise that he had again received indications of the object at approximately 100,000 feet directly over Oak Ridge and that the intensity of the radar "pip" was stronger than noted at any time previous. At about 11:40 [redacted] again called and advised he had watched the object until approximately 11:10 A. M., at which time he had noted it stopped circling and headed off in an easterly direction at approximately 200 miles per hour, at which time it had faded from the screen in slightly less than 20 minutes.

On the afternoon of March 4, 1950, Colonel [redacted] and Captain [redacted], both NEPA, visited the home of [redacted] and carefully examined his radio and radar equipment, including the antenna and related mechanisms. After such examination and after talking at some length with [redacted], these two gentlemen met with Special Agent [redacted] (CIC), [redacted] (OSI) and [redacted] (FBI), to give their opinions. Colonel [redacted] advised they had found [redacted] in a much inebriated condition and that they had had difficulty in making any determination as to his abilities in the field of radar. It was their belief that his equipment was haphazard at best and that no great degree of reliability could be placed therein. They did state, however, they intended to return during the morning of March 5, 1950, which was the usual time for the object to be detected.

On the morning of March 5, 1950, Colonel [redacted] and Captain [redacted] went to the house of Mr. [redacted] and were unable to gain entry or to find anyone at the residence. After this experience, it was the belief of these two gentlemen that the reliability of [redacted] was extremely dubious and they felt that the matter was worthy of little consideration.

On the morning of March 6, 1950, [redacted] again contacted Special Agent [redacted], CIC, and advised he had again observed the object at about the same altitude over the Oak Ridge area and he estimated the object to be of approximately the same density as would be caused by a DC-4 at that altitude. Again, Colonel [redacted] was contacted by Special Agent [redacted] of OSI and Colonel [redacted] said that he intended to take some electronic equipment to the home of [redacted] with which they could actually check the electrical circuits of his radar equipment to determine whether or not it was accurate, particularly in view of the fact they had checked some of the findings of [redacted] with regard to known aircraft detected during previous visits and found him to be off to a considerable extent regarding speed, elevation and azimuth. During the afternoon of March 6, 1950, all day of March 7, and the morning of March 8, 1950, attempts were made by Special Agent [redacted], OSI, to get in touch with [redacted] to make an appointment with Colonel [redacted] and Captain [redacted], and [redacted] could not be located. According to his office at [redacted], he had left town and it was not known when he would return.

In summary, therefore, it seems to be the general opinion that the actual existence of an object at such an exceptional altitude is quite improbable and no explanation is yet known as to just what was detected by [redacted] on his screen or, in fact, whether anything was detected. On the afternoon of March 8, 1950, Special Agent [redacted] telephoned Special Agent [redacted] of this office and advised that two representatives of the 14th Air Forces with headquarters at Greenville, South Carolina, had arrived in Knoxville and contacted him with regard to making an appointment with [redacted] to inspect his equipment. These representatives advised they did not feel it sufficiently important for them to remain or to make a return trip inasmuch as [redacted] was unavailable.

This information is being furnished to the Bureau in detail inasmuch as it is the understanding of this office that Colonel [redacted] was much perturbed in the manner in which this matter was handled and has written letters to his Commanding Officer, U. S. Air Forces Material Command, Wright Field, concerning it. These letters by Colonel [redacted] apparently were prompted from the fact that the 3rd Army Intelligence representative and the Air Force Intelligence representative have both been instructed to act as observers only, with no authority to act in the situation. In addition thereto, AEC felt that their responsibility had been discharged upon notifying the 3rd Army. The Bureau was obviously interested only from an observer's viewpoint and no question of jurisdiction in this regard was raised.

A short time after receiving the above information, Special Agent [redacted], CIC, 3rd Army, stationed at Knoxville, telephonically communicated with this office to determine if any further information had been received regarding the matter reported by [redacted]. Mr. [redacted] was, at that time, given all of the information which had been received by this office. [redacted] advised that he had been called by his headquarters, CIC, 3rd Army, Atlanta, Georgia, and had been told to look into the matter to determine if it had any basis in fact. Mr. [redacted] continued that he had made arrangements with Mr. [redacted] to have him and Special Agent [redacted], OSI, U. S. Air Forces, to visit [redacted]s home during the evening of March 2, 1950 and observe the radar indications with him. [redacted] advised that neither he nor Mr. [redacted] had any radar experience and were in no sense technicians or radar operators, but would make their observations merely to determine if a real reading was being made by [redacted]

On the morning of March 3, 1950, [redacted] again telephonically communicated with this office and advised the Liaison Agent, Special Agent [redacted], that he and [redacted] had been with [redacted] during the previous evening and that they had observed on his radar screen some "pips" which, according to [redacted], indicated an object with the same general elevation and azimuth as previously reported by him. [redacted] said they were unable to make any authoritative statement concerning the matter of the object or the reliability of the radar equipment, but they had seen sufficient to give them reason to believe it warranted investigation.

General inquiry at this time at [redacted] and other readily available sources of information divulged the fact that [redacted] is generally recognized in this vicinity as a reputable and substantial citizen in Knoxville and, in addition thereto, is recognized as somewhat of a radio authority. It was found that he is credited with being a skilled radio technician and has done considerable development and research work in the field of radio.

Due to the interest which was being portrayed by all agencies concerned with this matter, the Bureau at this time was apprised by telephone conversation with [redacted] at the Bureau concerning the facts known. As a result of this conversation, SA [redacted] was instructed to follow the matter in the capacity of an observer and to advise the Bureau of any important developments.

Arrangements were made through Lieutenant Commander [redacted], Commanding Officer, U. S. Naval Reserve Training Center, Alcoa Highway, Knoxville, for the Research Training Center to put into operation radar equipment which they have. At approximately 10:30 A. M. on the same day, this radar

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VITAL FACILITIES
NATIONAL MILITARY ESTABLISHMENT
(Unknown Object Over Oak Ridge, Tennessee,
3/1/50; [redacted] - COMPLAINANT).

Re Knoxville teletype to Bureau, Attention Mr. [redacted] dated March 6, 1950, entitled "Unknown Object Over Oak Ridge, 3/1/50; [redacted] - COMPLAINANT".

Referenced teletype advised that the reliability of [redacted], complainant in this matter, had been questioned and the efficiency of his radar equipment placed in some doubt. It is felt advisable, however, to apprise the Bureau of all matters in connection with this incident.

At 11:15 P. M. on March 1, 1950, Mr. [redacted], owner and operator of [redacted], [redacted]ding, Knoxville, Tennessee, telephonically communicated with this office advising that he had detected on his privately owned radar equipment an indication of what he believed to be an object circling at an altitude of 40,000 feet over Oak Ridge, Tennessee. At approximately 11:25 P. M. on this date, this information was made available by me to Mr. [redacted], Security Division, Atomic Energy Commission, Oak Ridge, for his information. Inasmuch as the matter was not one wherein the Bureau had jurisdiction, no further action was taken.

On the morning of March 2, 1950, Mr. [redacted] communicated with Third Army authorities at Ft. McPherson, Georgia and the 14th U. S. Air Force at Greenville, South Carolina, at which time they were advised of the information furnished by HICOOK.

At approximately 5:30 P. M. on March 2, 1950, a telephone call was received by me from Mr. [redacted] advising he had been talking with Captain [redacted], an assistant to Chief [redacted] of the AEC Security Patrol concerning the reported object over Oak Ridge, Tennessee. [redacted] further advised that his equipment was surplus Army radar equipment bearing the designation APN-7 which he himself had converted for acceptable use with his radio equipment. He continued that he used this radar equipment to track airliners in and out and with this equipment he could distinguish between a DC-3 and a DC-4. He stated he had again spotted the object at approximately 11:05 A. M. on March 2, 1950 and he estimated it to be approximately twenty miles away at an altitude of 100,000 feet and circling over Oak Ridge.

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equipment was in operation and continuous search being made. Special Agent [redacted] together with Special Agent [redacted], CIC, and Special Agent [redacted], OSI, observed this Navy equipment for some time but no object whatsoever could be detected. A telephone call was placed by [redacted] to Mr. [redacted] at approximately 11:00 A. M. and [redacted] advised he had been picking up some indication of the object again. He indicated its elevation and direction as well as distance to be the same as previously reported. At the time of his conversation, the Navy equipment detected two aircraft at an elevation of approximately 2,000 feet and a general azimuth of approximately 300 degrees true and seemingly headed in the general direction of the Knoxville Municipal Airport. By way of a check, [redacted] was asked if he detected on his equipment any objects other than those reported by him. [redacted] stated that he had noticed two small aircraft headed in the general direction of the Knoxville Airport at a relatively low altitude but he had not paid much attention to them. [redacted] then requested that he be allowed to view the radar equipment at the Naval Reserve Armory in order that he might coordinate his equipment with that equipment and thus obtain a better fix on the object should it again be located. The radar watch was continued and at about 11:30 [redacted] called the armory and advised that the object being observed by him over Oak Ridge had started moving in an easterly direction and had, in a period of about twenty minutes, faded from the screen.

On the afternoon of March 3, 1950 at about 1:30 P. M., [redacted] together with CIC, OSI and FBI agents, went to the Naval Armory where [redacted] was allowed to look at the radar equipment of the Navy. It had been previously determined from Lieutenant Commander [redacted] that this equipment did not comprise any classified information. At this time, [redacted] claimed familiarity with the equipment being used by the Navy and spoke of having assisted in its development at Harvard University during the early stages of the war. [redacted] also made statements to the affect that he had traveled extensively for the Army during the war in adapting radar for specialized services. At this time, the presence of some alcohol was noted on the breath of [redacted] but he was not in an inebriated condition. After examining the equipment, [redacted] stated he did not feel that this low frequency type of radar would be of much assistance in detecting the object reported by him for several reasons, such as the elevation of the antenna, the minimum fade area, etc. These statements seemed to be in accord with the radar operator's opinion.

At 3:30 P. M. on the afternoon of March 3, 1950, a conference was had with Colonel [redacted], U. S. Air Force Material Command, NEPA Site, Oak Ridge, Tennessee. Those present at the conference were Special Agent [redacted], CIC; Special Agent [redacted], OSI; Mr. [redacted], U. S. Air Forces Security Officer; Captain [redacted], USAF, and Special Agent [redacted] of this office. At this conference, Colonel [redacted]

On the morning of March 7, 1950, Special Agent [redacted] of this office was advised by [redacted], U. S. AEC Security Division, of steps taken by AEC in this regard. Mr. [redacted] stated that immediately upon receiving the report from me, he had made the matter known to the proper authorities at AEC and early the following morning he had conversed with Colonel [redacted], 3rd Army Headquarters, Atlanta, Georgia, and apprised him of the matter. Mr. [redacted] stated he also conversed with 14th Air Force Headquarters at Greenville, South Carolina and advised them of the matter. He stated that this was strictly in accordance with the plans drawn up between AEC and the armed forces for protection against air or land assault. He continued that the AEC has neither the facilities nor the equipment with which to defend itself in such emergencies and that such responsibility had been assumed by these agencies of the military forces.

It would appear from the manner in which this incident was handled that despite the fact that all agencies seemed to be operating in the manner prescribed by agreement, and although each was apprised of the action being taken by the other and cooperating in every respect, there nevertheless seemed to be an impressive lack of any agency actually taking the responsibility for the situation and taking any action to verify or disprove the threat. Had a similar incident occurred wherein an actual threat against the physical security of the AEC Installation had been experienced, it is not implausible to believe that a similar confused fixing of final authority would have been found. It should be noted that many hours elapsed from the receiving of the first report until such time as any reasonable conclusion could be reached concerning the matter and nothing of a positive nature with regard to any action being taken had been had during all that time. While it is now felt that this entire matter was in a manner of speaking "dry run", it nevertheless warrants some consideration from a procedural standpoint and might be worthy of discussion at some liaison meeting in the future.

The Bureau will be immediately advised if there are any further developments in this matter.

Assistant Attorney General James M. McInerney
Criminal Division

March 14, 1950

Director, FBI

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UNKNOWN OBJECT OVER OAK RIDGE, TENNESSEE, MARCH 1, 1950
[redacted], INFORMANT
VITAL FACILITIES
INTERNAL SECURITY

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No investigation is being conducted by this Bureau but in the event additional information comes to our attention you will be promptly advised.

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To: Dept of Army for Director of Intel

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Reour TWX AJACI-3-3 subject reported radar sightings over Oakridge, additional info indicates radar operator inexperienced and radar set has been modified so as to cast doubt on reliability of reading. Chief Tennessee Mil Dist recommends expeditious action be taken to determine whether an unknown object has reappeared over Oakridge in the past few days. Chief Security Div at Oakridge requested info as to channels of communication with Air Force in connection with radar sightings.

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Date: March 14, 1950

To: Atomic Energy Commission
Building T-3
16th and Constitution Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Attention: Mr. Francis R. Hammack
Acting Director
Division of Security

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director - Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: UNKNOWN OBJECT OVER OAK RIDGE, TENNESSEE, MARCH 1, 1950
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The above confirms information telephonically furnished to [redacted] of your office. No investigation is being conducted by this Bureau but in the event additional information comes to our attention you will be promptly advised.

cc - Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
The Pentagon
Washington, D. C.

cc - Director of Intelligence
General Staff
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FBI KNOXVILLE 3-6-50 12-03 PM

DIRECTOR, FBI ATT. MR. A. H. BELMONT URGENT

[redacted]

UNKNOWN OBJECT OVER OAK RIDGE, TENN., MARCH ONE, NINETEEN FIFTY. [redacted], COMPLAINANT, VITAL FACILITIES, IS. REMYCALL MARCH THIRD. EXISTENCE OF OBJECT REPORTED BY [redacted] AS BEING DIRECTLY OVER OAK RIDGE AT ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND FEET ALTITUDE NOT VERIFIED. [redacted] REPUTEDLY CAPABLE RADIO TECHNICIAN. [redacted] CLAIMS TO HAVE DETECTED OBJECT WITH HIS RADAR EQUIPMENT ON FIVE OCCASIONS OVER THREE DAYS. NAVAL RESERVE RADAR EQUIPMENT AT KNOXVILLE DID NOT DETECT OBJECT ON ANY OCCASION, BUT TECHNICIANS STATE IT IS NOT CONSIDERED EFFICIENT FOR AIRCRAFT AT EXTREME ALTITUDES. QUALIFIED PERSONS FROM USAF AT NEPA, OAK RIDGE, TALKED WITH [redacted] AND EXAMINED HIS RADAR EQUIPMENT. FOUND HIS EQUIPMENT NOT TOO RELIABLE AND FELT [redacted] TECHNICALLY WRONG ON SOME RADAR THEORY. RELIABILITY OF [redacted] QUESTIONED DUE TO SOME DEGREE OF INEBRIATION. THESE PERSONS DISCOUNT PROBABILITY. CIC AND OSI CONTINUE INTEREST BUT DO NOT CONTEMPLATE FURTHER ACTION. AEC TOOK STEPS TO HAVE RADAR TECHNICIAN SENT FROM WASH., BELIEVED FROM CIA, BUT NOT YET ARRIVED. ANY FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS WILL BE REPORTED TO BUREAU.

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CC: Mr. Belmont

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TO : MR. LADD

DATE: March 6, 1950

FROM : A. H. BELMONT

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN OBJECT OVER OAK RIDGE, TENNESSEE, MARCH 1, 1950; [redacted], COMPLAINANT; VITAL FACILITIES; INTERNAL SECURITY

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Reference is made to my memorandum of March 3, 1950, reflecting a call from SAC Robey, of Knoxville, in the above-entitled matter.

On the morning of March 6, 1950, I called SAC Robey to ascertain what he had found out concerning this matter. He advised that a teletype had been sent reflecting that there was some question of [redacted]s reliability and knowledge on radar theory; that CIC and OSI are continuing their interest in the matter; and that the CIA technician from Washington had not arrived.

SAC Robey will report any further developments.

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TO : MR. D. M. LADD DW

FROM : MR. A. H. BELMONT

DATE: March 3, 1950

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN OBJECT OVER OAK RIDGE, TENNESSEE, MARCH 1, 1950; [redacted] COMPLAINANT; VITAL FACILITIES; INTERNAL SECURITY

At 9:55 A.M. today, SAC Robey of Knoxville advised that [redacted], owner and operator of [redacted], Knoxville, had called the Knoxville Office at 11:15 P.M. on March 1. [redacted] is a radio ham operator and has set up in his home in Knoxville an Army Surplus APN-7 radar set. [redacted] advised that he had picked up on this set a "pip" indicating that an object was circling at an altitude of about 40,000 feet over Oak Ridge. [redacted] stated that he customarily had followed the movement of airplanes through this set and he was sure this item was not a thunder cloud. Mr. [redacted] advised that the Knoxville Office had immediately notifed the AEC Security Section following the receipt of the call from Mr. [redacted]

At 5:30 P.M. on March 2, Mr. [redacted] again called to say that he had again picked up an object at 11:15 A.M. on March 2 about 100,000 feet up and about 18 miles from his home in Knoxville which would place the object over Oak Ridge. Mr. [redacted] advised that CIC Agents had been given the information coming from the Knoxville Office, as a result of which CIC Agents and OSI representatives went out last night and looked over Mr. [redacted]'s set. They did see an object on the screen about 11:00 or 12:00 P.M. last night. They reported this information to the Third Army. Mr. [redacted] was of the opinion that the Air Force probably has sent the information to Washington also. Army CIC has now informed that CIA is going to send a technician down from Washington to examine the set. Mr. [redacted] had no information as to how CIA had jurisdiction. Mr. [redacted] advised that the Army is also contemplating sending a man up from Atlanta with a portable radar set to check into this situation. In addition, the Naval Reserve has a set locally and is putting it into operation this morning in an effort to identify this object.

Mr. [redacted] advised that AEC and the Armed Forces' representatives are somewhat concerned about this matter and he wanted the Bureau to have the above information in case there were inquiries.

ACTION

I advised Mr. [redacted] to keep in touch with the situation and let us know immediately of any developments and as to any information picked up by the Armed Forces or the CIA representative. I also requested that he ascertain who the CIA representative is and what action he took upon his arrival. Mr. [redacted] was advised that no investigation should be conducted by the Knoxville Office but that he should be kept advised of developments and should send a teletype to the Bureau tonight.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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TELETYPE

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[redacted]DIRECTOR, FBI URGENT

FLYING SAUCERS, INFO CONCERNING. [redacted], STUDENT, UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO AND REPORTER FOR SCHOOL PAPER FURNISHED THIS OFFICE WITH TRICK PHOTOGRAPH OF MOUNTIAN SIDE SHOWING A FLYINGSAUCER CRASHED AND BURNING ON THE SIDE OF THE MOUNTIAN, LITTLE MEN WALKING AWAY AND FOUR FLYING SAUCERS HOVERING AROUND THE CRASHED ONE, [redacted], WHO HAS VOLUNTARILY FURNISHED INFORMATION TO THIS OFFICE PREVIOUSLY STATED HE IS RESPONSIBLE FOR MAKING THE TRICK PHOTOGRAPH. HE FIRST TOOK A PHOTOGRAPH OF A HILLSIDE NEAR ALBUQUERQUE, HAD THE FLYING SAUCERS, CRASHED SAUCER, SMOKE AND LITTLE MEN DRAWN IN AND THEN MADE THE FINAL PHOTOGRAPH. [redacted] STATED THIS PHOTOGRAPH AND A RIDICULOUS STORY WILL BE PRINTED IN THE UNIV. OF N.M. SCHOOL PAPER THIRTY FIRST INSTANT AND MAY BE CARRIED OVER ASSOCIATED PRESS LINES. [redacted] WAS ADVISED THAT THIS OFFICE GAVE NO SANCTION OR CLEARANCE TO HIS IDEA. THIS FOR BUREAU-S INFORMATION. LOCAL INTELLIGENCE REPRESENTATIVES ADVISED

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI DATE: March 31, 1950

FROM : SAC, NEW ORLEANS

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS

Special Agent [redacted], of the New Orleans Division, has a brother, [redacted] of the [redacted] advertising agency, [redacted]., Denver, Colorado. [redacted] has advised Special Agent [redacted] that an employee of the [redacted], [redacted] has been contacted by one [redacted] Street, telephone [redacted] Denver, Colorado, regarding Flying Discs.

[redacted] is alleged to have told [redacted] in January, 1950, that he ([redacted]), knows a prominent Denver oilman named [redacted], also known as a "Mysterious Mr. X", and an official of the [redacted], [redacted] Denver, Colorado. [redacted] is claiming that he leased land in the Mojave Desert in California and that on this land a flying disc had been found intact, with eighteen three-foot tall human-like occupants, all dead on it but not burned. Further, that the disc was alleged to be of very hard metal and near indestructible. [redacted] is said to have exhibited a radio set to [redacted] purported to be a souvenir of the space disc.

According to [redacted], [redacted] has been telling of this story off and on for the three month period prior to January, 1950, and is said to have notified [redacted] of it weeks prior to the publication of a flying disc article published in the True Magazine, and one by FRANK SCULLY published in the Variety Magazine in January, 1950. [redacted] claimed to have been visited by DONALD KEHOE, author of the article in the True Magazine.

Further data was furnished that [redacted] had been telling the tale so prolifically in Denver that he claimed to have had telephone calls from Washington, D. C. and from the Federal Bureau of Investigation in which he was requested to keep the information to himself and that, thereafter, he became mysterious about the entire matter.

It is noted that considerable publicity regarding these discs has been found in Denver and other papers.

This information is being furnished the Bureau and the designated offices for informational purposes.

4/4/50 OSI [illegible] advised they checked this out negatively

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : The Director

DATE : March 28, 1950

FROM : D. M. Ladd

SUBJECT: FLYING SAUCERS

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Reference is made to your inquiry on the attached routing slip:

> "Just what are the facts re 'flying saucers'? A short memo as to whether it is true or just what Air Force etc. think of them."

In response to your inquiry, Special Agent S. W. Reynolds obtained the following information today (3/28/50) from Major Boggs and Lieutenant Colonel J. V. Hearn of Air Force Intelligence. The Air Force discontinued their intelligence project to determine what flying saucers are the latter part of last year. They publicly announced to the press in December, 1949, that the project had been discontinued. They advised that the press release had been concurred in by the Army and Navy. The reason for the discontinuance, according to Major Boggs and Lieutenant Colonel Hearn, was that after two years of investigation over three-fourths of the incidents regarding flying saucers proved to be misidentifications of a wide variety of conventional items such as lighted weather balloons and other air-borne objects.

Colonel Hearn pointed out that the Commanders of the various areas are charged with the security of those areas. Reports concerning flying saucers received at this time will be investigated by the Area Commander and his report submitted to the Air Force Intelligence Division as an intelligence item.

Major Boggs and Lieutenant Colonel Hearn made the observation that many of the reported sightings of flying saucers at this time appear to be an outgrowth of recent magazine articles. They reiterated that the Air Force is conducting no active investigation to determine whether flying saucers exist or what they might happen to be.

You will recall that the investigation of flying saucers was discontinued by the Bureau in October, 1947, in order that the Air Force could take over such investigations. (62-83894-141-160)

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From: COMGENARMYTHREE Ft McPherson Ga

To: Dept of Army for Dir of Intelligence

Nr: AJACI 1-2 2 Mar 50

Telephone call received from Lt Col Nunamaker Tennessee Military District 1130, 2 March. He stated that

A. There is a radar station near Knoxville which has been in operation about 3 weeks. This radar station is being operated by station WROL of Knoxville.

B. On 1 March at 2135 hours the station picked up an object 340 degrees and 18 miles from Knoxville altitude 40,000 feet. Direction and distance put the object directly over Oak Ridge. AEC Security Division Chief at Oak Ridge checked with Smyrna Air Base Nashville which reported it had no flight plan for any plane being in that vicinity and altitude.

C. On 2 March at 1105 station picked up object at 335 degrees and 18 miles from Knoxville altitude 40,000 feet. AEC Security Div Chief checked with Smyrna Air Base with negative results.

D. AEC Sec Div Chief is not certain as to operational efficiency of radar unit and requested Smyrna AB to send qualified radar operator. Smyrna has no personnel so qualified. Smyrna commander suggested Third Army send qualified radar operator to check equipment.

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E. Data from radar was limited to:

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1. Bearing, distance and altitude on each object.

2. Third Army queried 14th Air Force to determine if 14th AF had training flights over the Knoxville area on 1 and 2 March. Answer was no.

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3. Third Army has no radar operators.

4. Inquiry of Lt Col Nunamaker revealed that Chief Security Div Oak Ridge is anxious to get qualified personnel check on the performance of the radar.

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From: COMGENARMYTHREE Ft McPherson Ga

To : Dept of Army for Dir of Intelligence

Nr : AJACI-3-3 3206

3 Mar 50

Reference our TWX AJACI-1-2, 2nd Mar supplementary report follows:

1. (A) At 2130 hours on 2nd Mar radar station picked up 2 objects 310 degrees, altitude 80000 feet, approximately 18 miles from Knoxville in general direction of Oak Ridge, moving in circular motion but in opposite directions.

(B) At 2230 hours 2nd Mar and again at 0030 hours 3rd Mar station picked up object, moving same direction, locality and altitude.

(C) Density of object similar to DC-3 airplane, speed not established but report as "terrific".

2. CIA Radar Technician reportedly arrives Knoxville today to check radar set and operation.

3. Arrangement reportedly made by FBI with Naval and Marine Reserve Unit Knoxville to set up radar equipment to verify reception of WROL radar station.

4. All information on this subject this headquarters has been turned over to A-2 Fourteenth Air Force.

Note: AJACI-1-2 is CM IN 12036 (3 Mar 50) G-2

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CM IN 12184

(4 Mar 50)

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI DATE: March 22, 1950

FROM : GUY HOTTEL, SAC, WASHINGTON

SUBJECT: FLYING SAUCERS
INFORMATION CONCERNING

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Flying Discs or Flying Saucers

The following information was furnished to SA [redacted] by [redacted]

An investigator for the Air Forces stated that three so-called flying saucers had been recovered in New Mexico. They were described as being circular in shape with raised centers, approximately 50 feet in diameter. Each one was occupied by three bodies of human shape but only 3 feet tall, dressed in metallic cloth of a very fine texture. Each body was bandaged in a manner similar to the blackout suits used by speed flyers and test pilots.

According to Mr. [redacted] informant, the saucers were found in New Mexico due to the fact that the Government has a very high-powered radar set-up in that area and it is believed the radar interferes with the controling mechanism of the saucers.

No further evaluation was attempted by SA [redacted] concerning the above.

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Mrs. [redacted]
[redacted]
Tulsa, Oklahoma

Dear [redacted]

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Your letter of February 28, 1950, has been received and I want to thank you for making your observation available to me. Your thoughtfulness in this connection is appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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NOTE: Correspondent lengthly relates her observation concerning flying saucers and advised that she believes they are of Russia origin. It is noted that in her letter of February 14, she wrote to commend Mr. Hoover for his services as Director of the FBI.

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Tulsa Okla,
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Mr J. Edgar Hoover
director of F.B.I.
Washington D.C.

Dear Mr Hoover:- ("Flying Saucers")

Your acknowledgement of my letter in
regard to your excellent & faithful service, rec'd Feb. 27.
I've had something "on my chest" for sev
years, and it may be the time and way to do something ab
it, now also. It was during a time of my seven years
Civil Service work here in Tulsa, while doing Engr. drafting
for the Corps of Engineers, War Department. At this time I be
giving the matter serious thought.

For a number of intermittent nights at ab
the same time, I would hear a terrific very quick noise ov
the four unit apartment Bldg. at 4½ East 17th St. where I h
a small 3 roomed apartment on the top floor. The noise onl
lasted a second or less, and always traveled north to south. It
at great speed this missel or whatever over head. that I could
never get to the window & look into the night sky. I reported it to
the F.B.I. here (local F.B.I.) & checked all the air ports. no one k
of any craft having been there at that time. I clocked it after h
it 4 or 5 times, and as near as I can remember now it was ab
11:21 P.M. Then the time I again reported to the F.B.I. I had lo
before found it was not street nor building noise. The seco
time I called the F.B.I. the party at the other end, said wait a
moment,- soon he said, a Lt. of the force had been telling him
hearing the same thing a few blocks south of me at the 21st
Bridge while out there on patrol duty!

Then a few week after those noises over head, ca
the first word of people, seeing "flying saucers".

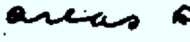
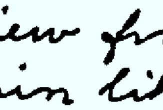
Since living here at [redacted], late last
a flying saucer must have been what I saw that looked like a
very round white cloud against a grey stormy sky or (a light gr
overcast sky.) It also rapidly drifted north to south. and while
I wondered & looked at the (cloud ?) sphere I saw it disintegrate a
something that looked like envelopes or paper fell toward th. ea

It was all [illegible] plain & clear for [illegible]bject was in the eastern sky & the sun just came from behind a cloud in the west at about sun down & shown upon it. I run to my ~~east~~ door to try to distinguish a plane motor or ~~a~~ sound of motor or a possible crash maybe a few blocks away. But I heard nothing so I again explained & re to the F. B. I. here. I could not judge the distance of the ob

Now my own radio has not been working for a 2 weeks, so that I've not recently caught all the news. Bu friend of mine tells me that according to radio news, the saucers are again appearing. and are now disintegra

Now Mr. Hoover if this matter that I shall meni here is by chance out of your jurisdiction, then I pray t you either mail this to some one (the right one) or put it the hands (directly) to some responsible Gov. Official whom are sure will give the matter serious study and consid

When the two tornados hit Woodward Okla Seve years ago within a few days or a few weeks of each other. that time on I have theorized that these "flying Saucers" a being sent from a Russian base located somewhere o the eastern edge of Siberia, Korea or Mongolia, but more likely some place in Siberia, and are radar controlled. Th the first ones of about the year of the tornados came back to base there, and that they served a tri-purpose.

No. 1. That the first ones contained instruments photograph & simultaneously record distance altitude & tem ature. Thus with data returning via. the "saucers" the Rus may by this means have every foot of our U.S.A photographe and our vital areas spotted. No doubt the "saucers" are built round and like this view from the side would ha only one edge  and spin like a top thru the air with slots around the saucer  where I have place the dots. Could be made to open automaticly and scatte germs, chemicals ice & etc.

No 2. That they may be able to effect our weather cur

changes in temperatures in spoti areas over the U.S
They may be able from their data formally obtained send a saucer anywhere at most any time with most anything, depending on the setting of the automatic deve within the saucer & the altitude & distance on their controlls then base. & the substance placed within.
Nothing now is impossible!

No. 3. The sudden weather changes all this last fa and this winter especially have caused a "flu" & a chest condition that lasts much longer and weakens those pe much more than ever the oldfashioned "flu" did, so I'v been told by the doctor to whom I go.

Hence it has put the vast majority of people a weakened condition, receptive of attack of a greater phy illness, something that may even be breathed from the air, & may put us into a helpless, weak or sleeping cond that will give Russia a chance to walk in and take this country intact, without ever bombing & spoiling our rich oil and industrial supplies! (Russia has never fo gotten the oil she started out for.) If done in this man we would wake up or "come to and find ourself possibly slaves!

It's something to think about, and as I see it a very great possibility! so I'm praying that you place matter with those or one you are certain will give it a very serious thot. If my theory is a true case, then i we could locate that base, we could save a great dea of trouble to our nation.. The above mentioned matter ti in with what ~~Dotty~~ wrote before World War II to General Chief of S Marshall, President F.D.R. and Martain Dyes. about a seemingly fantastic dream I had three years or about th after the first world war. In that dream which I had 3 nights alike to the smallest detail and in succession. In that dream the Russians, Germans, and a slant eyed pe came in the S. West & marched & [illegible] images stunning" with surprise! . the dream it se that I was a child again watching grandfather at work bench, and tho' at the time of that strange drea Grandfather was then deceased, but as I seemed ~~to~~ be standing beside him in the dream, he looked down at and said "Florence whatever I dream always comes tr actually I had never, while he lived with us in all those y ever heard him claim he had dreamed; so my only inte ation of the dream & what he said in it would mean that what "I dreamed" & etc. When he was young he was ord to "goose-step" into Prussia in the Franco-Prussian War he often told me in German how he hated war, & I know how much he loved the beautiful & how really kind was. He loved garden, flowers & did beautiful Cabinet

Doesn't it stand to reason that there is a very de purpose in the disintrigation of the "saucers" now?

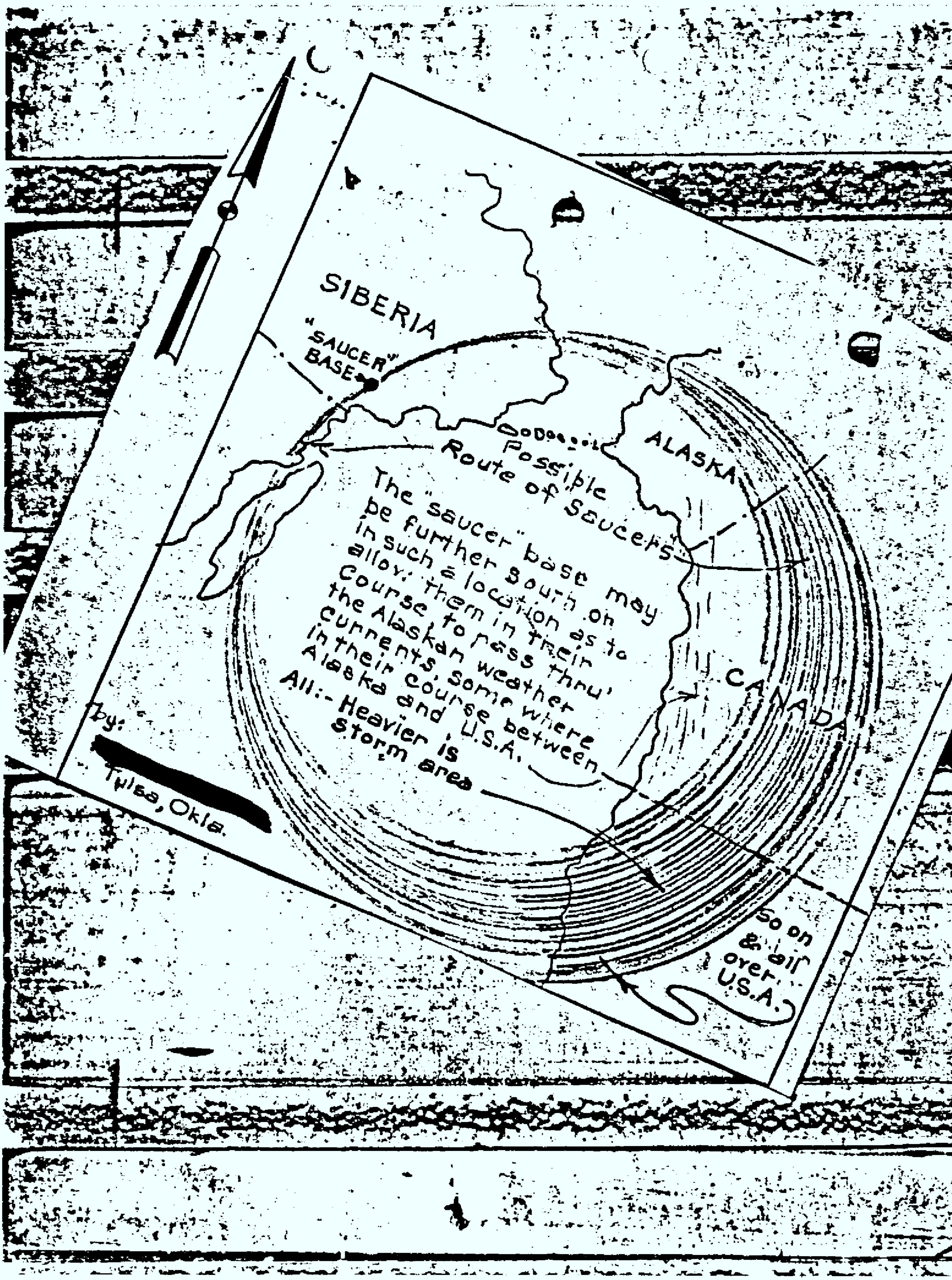
That we have advertised the fact that we think th are "interplanetary," and the country sending them are affraid that we may find out different? That also there be chemicals or disease germs within them that if they ret to the original base might accidently be scattered withi their own boundaries and dangerous to their own welfare

And besides after all we have found out that m is not inhabited! I might add now that I did not sig my name to the letters I wrote about that dream to the thr Washington gentlemen, I was afraid to for we were so clo to war with Germany then. I mailed them from Tulsa, so of might have heard of (this the letters happening) at that time. We know that dream of 3 nights did not then come true. But the is still time that something very similar may yet hap

~~In~~closed is postage for mailing this to "the par you know will consider it from a serious possibility an also a rough sketch that I've made, my idea of Russia's method. — I would appreciate hearing your opinio on the above scientific possibility mentioned. I know noth of Science actually. I am Sincerely Yours.

wish I did.

Mrs [redacted]


SIBERIA
"SAUCER" BASE
ALASKA
CANADA
Possible Route of Saucers
The "saucer" base may be further south on in such a location as to allow them in their course to pass thru' the Alaskan weather currents, some where in their course between Alaska and U.S.A.
All:- Heavier is storm area
So on & all over U.S.A.
by: [redacted]
Tulsa, Okla.

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MARCH 10, 1950 - ROUTINE

SAC DENVER

FLYING DISCS. REURTEL MARCH NINE LAST CAPTIONED FLYING SAUCERS AND RE BUREAU BULLETIN NUMBER FIVE SEVEN DATED OCTOBER ONE, NINETEEN FORTYSEVEN IN CAPTIONED MATTER. NO FURTHER ACTION DESIRED.

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FBI, DENVER 3-9-50 9-25 PM JHM [redacted]

DIRECTOR, FBI URGENT

FLYING SAUCERS. TWO SOURCES ADVISED TODAY THAT UNIDENTIFIED INDIVIDUAL HAS GIVEN AT LEAST ONE AND POSSIBLY MORE LECTURES BEFORE CLASSES AT DENVER UNIVERSITY YESTERDAY OR TODAY IN WHICH HE DISCUSSED FLYING SAUCERS WHICH HE ALLEGEDLY PERSONALLY OBSERVED. THIS PERSON CLAIMS TO HAVE SEEN SEVERAL SUCH OBJECTS, ONE OF WHICH ALLEGEDLY LANDED IN NEW MEXICO. HE ALSO CLAIMS TO HAVE OBSERVED OCCUPANTS OF SAUCERS DESCRIBED BY HIM AS OF HUMAN FORM, BUT ABOUT THREE FEET TALL. THESE OCCUPANTS OF SAUCERS ALLEGEDLY DEAD AT TIME HE OBSERVED THEM. THIS LECTURER [redacted] REFUSED TO REVEAL IDENTITY, BUT IS KNOWN TO [redacted] WHO IS [redacted] CONNECTED WITH [redacted], DENVER. [redacted] REPORTED TO HAVE MADE SOME PREVIOUS CLAIMS HIMSELF WITH RESPECT TO OBSERVING FLYING SAUCERS. LOCAL PRESS AND ALSO WIRE SERVICES CARRYING STORIES CONCERNING THESE LECTURES AT DENVER UNIVERSITY. OSI, DENVER, HAS NO ADDITIONAL INFORMATION EXCEPT THAT [redacted] IN JANUARY THIS YEAR REPORTED TO HAVE MADE SIMILAR CLAIMS AND UPON INVESTIGATION WAS UNABLE TO PRODUCE ANY VERIFIABLE INFORMATION. OSI CONSIDERS [redacted] AS PROBABLE MENTAL CASE. BUREAU ADVISE WHAT, IF ANY, ACTION DESIRED AT DENVER.

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cc Mr Belmont

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Mr. [redacted]
[redacted]
Parinoe, Pennsylvania

Dear [redacted]

Your letter of February 12, 1950, has been received and I appreciate your thoughtfulness in making available the information which you furnished.

If in the future additional data comes to your attention which you feel should be made available to the FBI please feel free to furnish it to Mr. A. Cornelius, Special Agent in Charge of our Philadelphia Office, 500 Widener Building, Philadelphia 7, Pennsylvania.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

CC: Philadelphia,

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Flying SAUCERS

Dear Sir.

I am writing you about the Flying Disc or Saucers and am I am enclosing. dates which I would like for you to have checked with Flying Saucers Project. to see if any were reported seen on the dates I have down. below

Date. ~~time~~	time	Direction from My Home.
an 20th 1950.	10.15 A.M.	Southeast
	3.00 P.M.	Southwest.
	4.10 P.M.	.. ...
an 26th 1950	11.50 AM. till 12.30 P.M	South - or. east.
an 27th 1950	12.00 Noon. ...	South - South east
	1.45 P.M. → 9. P.M 2.0.0 PM	Night
an 28th 1950	11.00 AM	... East ..
an 29th 1950	1.00 P.M. also Night 8.30 P.M.	
an 30th 1950.	2.00 P.M.	Northwest
eb 3rd 1950.	10.AM. 11.AM. 12.0.0 Noon.	Southeast
eb 4th 1950.	11.30 AM. 2.30 P.M.	Southeast.
eb 8th 1950	11.45 A.M. till 12.15 P.M Noon 1.30 P.M till 2.05	
b 10th 1950	-- Night 8.40 P.M.	--- West.

The reason for having you check these I don't trust anybody unless you say ok - I won't Make any claims but try to furnish proff that I know More about flying disc than ~~anybody~~ they have found yet - I will Send More dates ~~[illegible]~~ from time to time to prove what I say. All I ask is that if any was seen please give place time and date. ~~So~~ I can check - My best, And above all I don't want any Snooper's around my ~~house~~!! Also I ask you Please not to tell anybody for there May be a lot of things I will tell you after while. I don't want any dates before Jan 23th 1950. Please Make Sure that anyone checking the dates is 100 Percent American (over)

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Ack 2/20/50 MF

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of. Seeing any letter I send you it might be better if after a while as I send you date's that I really know. ~~but to find~~ Something to find a better way to contact ~~one~~ each other. for Their are Snooper's in the Postal Service talking about Postal Service if you answer this letter please do not use letterhead just plain letter will do for I dont want any Postal clerks getting Idea's -. the truth is I dont want anyone but you to know where or ~~[illegible]~~ the letters are from.

WHO

Thanking You I remain

Mr. [redacted]

[redacted]

Paxinos Pa

P.S. If Saucer's Project want's to clear this up quick I have a Idea of how they can do Same and will be able to check - and find out who really did see them let them have people be on the lookout for them give the exact time ~~day~~ and place. then they can check My list of dates. I send you -

MR JONES
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Mr. [redacted]

Philadelphia 43, Pennsylvania

Dear [redacted]

Your letter of January 24, 1950, has been received and while I appreciate your offer to furnish me your observations concerning the flying saucers, this matter is not being investigated by the FBI.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

NJC:alp

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FEB 15 1950

[redacted]

Phila [illegible]

[illegible] saucers 24-1-50

Re - Flying Saucers

Gentlemen - With the permit of [illegible] on the above [illegible] sort of [illegible]

[illegible] I have an opinion [illegible] national nature [illegible] I did feel pretty [illegible] and if I happened to be [illegible] harm to [illegible] might be [illegible] my theory helps [illegible] considered and discarded [illegible] the other [illegible] might be a [illegible]

Very Truly

[illegible]

(CMA)

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[illegible] my note [illegible] lunch from [illegible]

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
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Flying Discs

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FROM: HQ 13TH OSI DST OFFUTT AFB, OMAHA, NEBRASKA

TO : DIR OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS HQ USAF, WASH., D.C.

INFO: DIST COMDR 14 CSI DIST LOWRY AFB, COLO (ZEN)
DIST COMDR 17 CSI DIST KIRTLAND AFB, NEW MEXICO (ZEN)

NR : OSI 8 16 January 1950

(THIS IS REMAS OSI 8 DTD 14 JAN 50. CATEGORY BAKER MESSAGE).

Rudy Fick says Flying saucers from Venus came to earth by accident. Rudy Fick, well known Kansas City auto dealer stopped in Denver 2 weeks ago while returning from Ogden, Utah. At that time he called on the manager of Ford Agency. Their conversation was interrupted by some engineers arriving for a meeting; one of whom was a man named Coulter. Coulter revealed some startling information. He (Coulter) stated he "Crashed the Gate" at a radar station near New Mexico and Arizona borders, and while there he saw 2 of the highly secret "Flying Saucers." Spot report details——the information contained herein was furnished from article which appeared in the Wyandotte Echo newspaper, Kansas City, Kansas, 6 January 1950. Of the two Flying saucers one was badly damaged and the other almost perfectly intact. They consisted of 2 parts, a cockpit or cabin about 6 feet in diameter. A ring 13 feet across and 2 feet thick surrounded the cabin. The cabin was constructed of metal resembling aluminum, but the actual make of the metal has defied analysis. Coulter had a piece of the metal in his possession and gave it to the Ford man to send to the Dearborne plant for analysis. This man (Coulter) showed the group, including Fick, a clock or automatic calendar which was taken from one of the Flying Saucers. This clock or automatic calendar consisted of 2 pieces of metal together with some unusual type of metal. On the face of 1 or 2 pieces of this metal there appeared an indentation which rotated around the disk completing a cycle each 28 days. According to the information given Coulter around 50 of these flying saucers have been found in the United States in a period of 2 years. Of these, 40 are in the 7 US Research Bureau in Los Angeles. Each of the craft had a crew of 2. The bodies in the damaged ship were charred, but the other ship's occupants were in a perfect state of preservation, although dead.

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All were uniform height of 3 feet; blond, beardless and their teeth were completely free of fillings or cavities. They wore no under garments, but had their bodies taped and were dressed in a sort of wire. A quantity of food in tablet form was found in ship. Mr. Fick assumed that the reason behind the apparent lack of security was that the Government wanted the information spread from unofficial sources until people are more or less familiar with the facts. Mr. Fick feels that the security department of the military fear that the sudden shock of a surprise announcement that interplanitary travel is possible might cause mass hysteria. Fick is well known locally and has a number of friends at the Kansas City Star. OSI District 13 will interview Fick and will make additional inquiries at the Kansas City Star. Coulter not otherwise identified, but can be reached through Ford agency in Denver. Action: Information copies furnished OSI Districts 14 and 17 for action. The editor of the Kansas City Star stated that while they were aware of this story they did not dare publish it in the paper because it is too fantastic.

ACTION: DIRECTOR, SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS

INFO : DCS/O DIRECTOR OF INTELLIGENCE
DCS/O DIRECTOR OF PLANS & OPERATIONS
DCS/O POLICY DIVISION
CHIEF OF STAFF'S LOG, USAF

CAF IN: 7130 (16 Jan 50) DTG: 16/1430Z CWC/lws

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DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
STAFF MESSAGE DIVISION
INCOMING CLASSIFIED MESSAGE

[redacted]

PRIORITY

FROM: 13 OSI DIST OFFUTT AFB, OMAHA NEBRASKA, SGD THOMPSON

TO : CSAF, WASHINGTON 25, D.C.
DIST COMDR 14TH OSI DIST LOWRY AFB, COLORADO
DIST COMDR 17TH OSI DIST KIRTLAND AFB ALBUQUERQUE,
NEW MEXICO

NR : OSI 11. 17 January 1950

This refers to TWX from 13th OSI District, Offutt AFB, Omaha, Nebraska, dated 13 January and spot intelligence report dated 16 January, subject: "Flying Saucers From Venus Come To Earth." For your information both TWX and spot report are downgraded to Confidential.

NOTE: Reference TWX is CAF-IN-7130, 17 Jan 50 (OSI).

ACTION: OSI.

INFO : ODS, OIN, OPO, OOP, OPY, CAG-30.

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APPROPRIATE AGENCIES
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SLIP(S) OF 2010
DATE 9/1/77

Date: October 19, 1949

To: Director
Office of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
The Pentagon
Washington, D. C.

EX-119

From: John Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: FLYING DISCS

There is set forth the following unverified information relating to the captioned matter which was furnished to this Bureau by a confidential source whose reliability is unknown and who has requested that his identity not be revealed.

> "I was flying from .... to Parkersburg, W. Va. this afternoon (September 25, 1949) and about four miles airline, southwest of Parkersburg, I suddenly noticed a bright yellow object coming directly towards me. It came at me with such speed, added to my 100 m.p.h. forward speed that it startled me and had passed by in a matter of a couple of seconds, but it passed by about 100 feet under my ship and about 50 feet to my right, and because of the dark green background of the forests below I was able to get a very clear outline of the object, and what I believe is a very accurate description.
>
> "Color - bright canary yellow
> "Length - about 15 to 18 inches
> "Diameter - about 4" in the largest part
>
> "It resembled a rocket, in fact was about the same shape and proportions as the fuselage of a Lockheed Air Force F-90

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"No wings but vertical and horizontal fins on rear 1/3 of the rocket.

"No visable means of propulsion such as propeller, vapor trail, smoke or exhaust.

"The front of the rocket was very sharp with a needle nose, the needle looked about 6" long and was the size of a lead pencil.

"The rear end was blunt similar to the rear end of a jet fuselage.

"I was flying my ship ... and was traveling about 100 m.p.h. at the time.

"I was at 3450 ft. above sea level at the time.

"I was flying a compass course of 60 degrees, and the rocket was traveling almost west at 240 degrees.

"It happened about 2:45 P.M. on the above date.

"The visability was exceptionally good, about 30 miles.

"The yellow object looked very sharp and clearly outlined because of the dark green background.

"If you will refer to the Huntington sectional aerial map this object was sighted over a very small town named Lubeck, which is about 4 miles direct west of South Parkersburg.

"It appeared to have spent it's force and seemed to be dropping slightly as it passed by, or had been fired or launched from a higher altitude than the altitude I was flying."

The above has been furnished to you for your information and assistance in connection with the captioned matter.

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI DATE: October 2, 1949

FROM : SAC, Pittsburgh

SUBJECT: [redacted] Informant
FLYING DISCS, MISCELLANEOUS

On September 26, 1949, [redacted], S. Charleston, West Virginia, appeared at the Charleston, West Virginia, resident agency and gave to Special Agent [redacted] the attached letter. Mr. [redacted] stated that he had written the letter following a pleasure flight from Clark Field, St. Albans, West Virginia, to Parkersburg, West Virginia, on September 26, 1949. Mr. [redacted] stated that after writing the letter, he did not know whether it would be of any interest to the FBI and decided that instead of mailing it directly to the Bureau at Washington, he would contact the local agent and turn it over to him if it were thought it would be of interest to the Bureau.

Mr. [redacted] stated that he has set out the complete details of this incident in his letter and that there is nothing further that he can add. He further stated that he is certain this was not a mirage and that it actually occurred.

No further action is being taken by this office unless specified to do so by the Bureau.

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[redacted]
S. Charleston, W. Va.
September 25, 1949.

Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington D. C.

Gentlemen:

An incident happened this afternoon (9/25/49) which after consideration I felt I should report. I most certainly do not want this incident disclosed, as I do not want any publicity concerning it. If you regard it of no special interest to the F.B.I. please disregard this correspondence.

I was flying from (Clark Field) to Parkersburg, W. Va. this afternoon and about four miles airline, southwest of Parkersburg, I suddenly noticed a bright yellow object coming directly towards me. It came at me with such speed, added to my 100 m.p.h. forward speed that it startled me and had passed by in a matter of a couple of seconds, But it passed by about 100 feet under my ship and about 50 feet to my right, and because of the dark green background of the forests below I was able to get a very clear outline of the object, and what I believe is a very accurate description.

Color - bright canary yellow
Length- about 15 to 18 inches
Diameter- About 4" in the largest part

It resembled a rocket, in fact was about the same shape and proportions as the fuselage of a Lockheed Air Force X-90

No wings but vertical and horizontal fins on rear 1/3 of the rocket.

No visable means of propulsion such as prepeller, vapor trail, smoke or exhaust.

The front of the rocket was very sharp with a needle nose, the needle looked about 6" long and was the size of a lead pencil.

The rear end was blunt similar to the rear end of a jet fuselage.

I was flying my ship, (a Luscombe 8A, NC 1440K) and was traveling about 100 m.p.h. at the time.

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My wife was with me but she did not see the object, and I did not tell her of the incident until we had landed at Parkersburg.

Very truly yours,

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-COPY-

[redacted]
Circleville, Ohio
1949 October 8
permanent address: [redacted]
Delaware, Ohio

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

It is requested that this letter be returned to the above address and no record of it kept in FBI files.

If is it true that the Soviet leaders intend to use the flying disk in an attempt to confuse and terrify the American people, why should we not state to the United Nations that we believe this condition to exist and further request permission from United Nations to fly American printed statements into the USSR in the interests of peace and better understanding between the two nations? To prevent the belief that such a method would be used, be either nation, to carry bombs rather than paper, it should be pointed out that it is not necessary to employ airplanes for the purpose insofar as actually flying over enemy territory is concerned. There are several possible means of placing information at the disposal of citizens of either country via air; I mention small balloons incapable of carrying more than a few pounds, or finned, cardboard disks capable of drifting on wind currents for great distances after release from several miles height. (I reserve the right to claim patent rights to the latter "flying newspaper".)

Inasmuch as we have been told that the Communist Party is a very small minority in the USSR, it is impossible to prevent information, printed, from reaching many good people there if flown in by the millions. Of course there would be a penalty in Russia for reading them if caught, but curiosity being curiosity, many would be read and remembered. And no one really believes that children could be prevented from picking up objects floating in from another country.

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Shall freedom of the press be defended in some countries at cost in lives, yet denied across nations, the latter being contrary to United Nations principles?

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Yours sincerely,

s/ [redacted]

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October 12, 1949

Mr. [redacted]
Circleville, Ohio

Dear [redacted]

Your letter dated October 6, 1949, has been received and in response to your request I am returning it to you at this time.

For your information the jurisdiction of this Bureau does not extend outside the United States and its Possessions. It is therefore suggested that you may wish to communicate with the Division of International Press and Publications, Office of Public Affairs, United States Department of State, 21st Street and Virginia Avenue, Washington, D. C., with regard to the suggestion made in your letter.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Enclosure

NOTE: The enclosure is incoming letter being returned to correspondent at his request.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: September 6, 1949

FROM : SAC, INDIANAPOLIS

SUBJECT: FLYING SAUCERS
SECURITY MATTER - X

[redacted] of OSI, Benjamin Harrison Air Base called at this office recently to ascertain if there was any current information on "flying saucers". He stated that he had been instructed recently to contact Dr. [redacted] of Decatur, Indiana, with reference to a flying saucer he allegedly observed in the vicinity of Lake of the Woods, Canada, on or about July 1, 1949. An FBI Agent by the name of [redacted] of the Omaha office was alleged to have seen the same saucer.

When [redacted] conversed with Dr. [redacted] the Dr. told him that when he returned from Canada, he found himself in the midst of a polio epidemic and that as a result he had read as much literature as possible with respect to polio, its symptoms, diagnosis, etc. Dr. [redacted] told [redacted] that in his opinion, the cases which were thought to be polio in the vicinity of Decatur, Indiana, were not polio, but possibly the result of uranium poisoning and that he felt the presence of flying saucers had direct bearing on the polio epidemic. Dr. [redacted] pointed out that flying saucers were observed in the Carolina's in 1948 and there was a polio epidemic in the vicinity at that time. [redacted] stated he had consulted one of the physicians at the Benjamin Harrison Air Base and had also checked the records with reference to allegations concerning the sighting of flying saucers and had done a little research with respect to correlating the presence of flying saucers and any polio epidemic. He further stated that he was reporting the matter to the proper Air Force authorities, Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio.

It has also come to the attention of this office that [redacted] made inquiry of the Indiana University Medical School, Indianapolis, Indiana, where the doctors treated the entire matter as a big joke.

[redacted] also stated that Dr. [redacted] had heard while in Canada that there had been some rather strange events somewhere in the interior with respect to finding what might have been remains of flying saucers.

The foregoing is furnished for the information of the Bureau. This office is taking no action in the matter.

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

Transmit the following message to:

AUGUST 21, 1949

SAC, LOS ANGELES

URGENT

FLYING DISKS. REURTEL AUGUST TWENTY LAST. BUREAU ADVISING OSI HEADQUARTERS TODAY OF ADDRESS [redacted] MANHATTAN BEACH, CALIFORNIA. YOU SHOULD ALSO FURNISH THIS ADDRESS OSI REPRESENTATIVE YOUR DIVISION TODAY. HOOVER.

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DIRECTOR URGENT

RE FLYING DISKS. LA TIMES, AUG. TWENTY, ARTICLE DATE
LINED, WASHINGTON, AUG. NINETEEN, U.P. RELEASE, INDICATING
U. S. AIR FORCE SEARCHING FOR [redacted] WHO MADE
FLYING DISKS DISCOVERED IN MARLEY PARK, MD, AUG 24 INFO RECEIVED
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MANHATTAN BEACH, CALIF. THIS INFO BEING FURNISHED [redacted]
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Director, FBI August 16, 1949

SAC, San Antonio

PROTECTION OF VITAL INSTALLATIONS

I am attaching hereto a number of copies of reports being received in great numbers in this office concerning the so-called flying disks or unnatural phenomena being frequently observed around Camp Hood, Texas. This is, of course, a primary concern of the Air Corps. Consequently, this office is following the practice of reviewing these data and then destroying them in the event there appears to be nothing of FBI interest therein. It is pointed out that the filing of these would result in the rapid accumulation of very bulky files.

Unless the Bureau believes this is unwise, this practice will continue.

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NAVY DEPARTMENT

INTELLIGENCE REPORT

Flying Discs

Serial ______ Monograph Index Guide No. ______

From DIO-11ND of San Diego Date 23 June

Reference CNO Conf Ser 0423P32 dtd 4 Nov 1948, subj: Flying Discs - Re

Source See Below. Evaluation B-3

Subject Unidentified Flying Objects - Report Of.

BRIEF: While flying north in a private plane source, who is believed
reliable, saw 6 or 7 "flying discs" in southern Oregon 27 May 1949. T
discs are described as elongated ovals, perhaps 20' in length; they fl
in a steady file formation at between 200 to 250 MPH; they appeared to
made of unpainted metal; no smoke or exhaust trails were observed.

SOURCE: LTJG [redacted] A5(L), USNR (Inactive), Serial [redacted]
[redacted] Los Angeles, California. He was commissioned E
5 January 1944. Served at Corpus Christie 30 days AV(T); in Dallas tw
months VRF-2(D). Ferried SNJ's from North American Company plants. D
Willow Grove, Pennsylvania for 30 days. Served at check-out base for
squadron VRF(2) at Columbus; served at Columbus until August 1945. So
then was with VRF(3) at Terminal Island, California, where he became l
personnel officer. Was discharged from the Navy in January 1946 as LT

Source holds Naval Aviator's Certificate [redacted] plus a sen
pilot's rating in the Ferry Wing of the Naval Air Transport Command.
holds a commercial license, single and multi-engine, and flight instru
ratings. His flight time began in 1934 and now totals over 5300 hour
which time 1300 hours were in the U.S.Navy. Source secured a private
in 1935, a transport license in 1937, a commercial pilot's license in
and a re-issue commercial pilot's license in 1945 (#184256). From Mar
to September 1943 he was flight instructor for the Army Air Force (5 m
as primary instructor at Cal-Aero, and the balance of the time as basi
instructor at Lancaster, California). From September 1943 to January
flew for the Superior Oil Company of California.

Since 1940 source has been Vice-President of the [redacted]
[redacted] of California, Long Beach, a concern in which he and his relat
all of the stock; he also is part-owner of three other oil producing c
in Southern California.

Source is married and has three children. He has a B.S. and
degree from the University of Southern California, Los Angeles, Califo
also had two years of law at the University of Southern California. S
thirty years of age, but appears to have a background of experience fe
his age possess. He is believed to be conservative, sincere, absolute
reliable, and very competent.

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[illegible] 58-19 23 June 1949

Subject: Unidentified Flying Objects - Report Of.

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observed the objects. This position would probably be as much as five m SSW of the position given. Source's location when objects left his visu range was 42°11'N, 115°40'W. Source flew in a straight line between the [illegible].

Position of objects when first observed: 42°30'N, 116°[illegible]
Position of objects when last seen, 42°20'N, 115°40'W
The objects made a slight change of [illegible]
paralleling source's straight line of flight.

REPORTING OFFICER'S COMMENTS: It is believed that conventional aircraft, balloons, astronomical phenomena, and [illegible] can be eliminated as explanations for the objects sighted by source. Since source was not fly into the sun and since he is an expert pilot-instructor, [illegible] does not appear to be a reasonable explanation; nor do reflections on, or irregularities of, the plexiglass canopy through which source viewed the objects offer a reasonable explanation, because of the wide range of [illegible] observance of the objects. As far as the reporting officer's command is concerned (as well as [illegible] own command), the explanation of source's sighting of the strange flying objects remains a question mark.

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DIO-13ND Serial 38-49 22 June 1949

Subject: Unidentified Flying Objects - Report of.

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The valley through which source flew north, and the objects fl[illegible] south, is roughly 12 miles wide. The floor of the valley is between 400 to 5000' in elevation. The east side of the valley is delineated by Hart Mountain (8000' in elevation). Hart Mountain stands as an elongated bla which has an almost sheer drop of around 1000'. The bluff, and all the terrain, against which source saw the objects is quite dark in color. [illegible] objects stood out in contrast to the dark color. The objects appeared t unpainted metal.

The rim of the bluff on the east side of the valley is about 7 in elevation. From where source saw the objects (at 9000' elevation) th roughly in line with the rim of the bluff (7000'). Assuming the objects 1 to 3 miles away from the bluffside, they were probably flying at abo 8000' MSL, and about 3500' above the valley floor.

The valley where source sighted the objects is sparsely populat however, there are a number of ranches there - more than are indicated o Boise (Y-2) Aeronautical Chart. Source believes that if persons living the valley were questioned, chances are several might be found who saw t objects from the ground. Source has flown through this valley many time going between California and Oregon and does not recall ever having seen another airplane in the valley where he sighted the objects. The valley not a commercial airway route, and is seldom used by private planes. So does not recall ever seeing any automobiles on the dirt roads in the vall shown as such on the Boise (Y-2) section of Aeronautical Chart.

Number and formation of objects: At the beginning of observati when the objects were a few degrees to the starboard of dead ahead, sourc could not distinguish separate objects - all he saw were reflections; how as he came closer and passed them by 5½ to 7½ miles he definitely saw 6 o separate objects. To be on the safe side source states with positivenes that there were no less than 5 objects and no more than 8.

The objects were always in file formation (one behind the other) and there appeared to be no change in altitude of the formation. The spa between the lead object and the next one was three or four times the leng of one of the objects. The distance between the second and the following objects was between one-half and two-thirds the length of the objects. Accordingly, if the objects were 20' in length, the distance between #1 a was 60 to 80 feet, and the distance between #2 and the others was between 10 and 17 feet. The distance between the objects appeared very constant. objects were so close and appeared to keep their formation spacing in [illegible] which indicated they might have been [illegible] by the leading object. At distance of sighting, no connection, if there was any, could possibly hav observed. Source is positive that the objects were separate objects beca he was able to see terrain between them. The formation did not fluctuate flight; the objects flew very evenly and steadily. When source last saw objects they were going out of visual range on the horizon.

Weather and visibility at time of observation: Visibility was exceptionally good. Source could see Harney Lake, 30 miles distant, and see smoke rising from the sawmills at Burns, Oregon, 75 miles. [illegible] were a few scattered clouds at between 14,000' and 18,000'. The [illegible] at the time indicated "scattered clouds at 18,000'". The air was [illegible] Normally the air in the area is light to mildly turbulent. The sun was [illegible] of source; that is, source's plane was between the sun and the objects.

Location of sighting objects: (Refer to Boise (Y-2) Sectional [illegible] Chart). Source's location when objects were first [illegible]

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DIO-11ND Serial 33-49 23 June 19

Subject: Unidentified Flying Objects - Report of.

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REPORT: Unidentified Flying Objects Observed in Oregon 27 May 1949:

On Friday, 27 May 1949, source was flying his own SNJ-type aircraft from Red Bluff, California to Burns, Oregon, a distance of 3 He left Red Bluff at 1230 P.S.T. and arrived at Burns at 1418 P.S.T. time: 1 hour 38 minutes). Source landed at Burns after circling the twice, which consumed about ten minutes. While an SNJ's normal maxim is 170 MPH, source "demilitarized" his plane (which he had purchased Surplus, lightening the plane by about 800 lbs.) and it makes around true air speed. While on this flight he made 212 MPH ground speed; a estimates he had a tail wind of 15 to 18 MPH.

At 1425 Pacific Standard Time, Friday, 27 May 1949, source o the sun reflecting on an object or objects at a considerable distance a few points to the starboard. He continued to watch the course taken reflecting material expecting it to materialize into conventional air as the distance lessened between him and the object or objects. As th reached the long bluffs (shown on the Boise (V-2) Aeronautical Chart a Mountain) which run for a number of miles along the east side of some lakes (Swamp, Flagstaff, Campbell and Stone Corral Lakes) he saw that of a single object there were several, which seemed to be flying in fo

At this point the objects appeared to have changed their cou that they were paralleling his course (southwest to his northeast) and following the bluffs' rim at about 1000 to 1500 feet below source's al at a distance which he estimates to have been 5½ to 7½ miles. Source certain that it could not have been as far as 10 miles since the bluff less than 10 miles away and he could see the objects outlined against bluffs.

The objects that source saw are described by him as follows:

Size of each object: Considerably smaller than a fighter pl probably less than 20' in length. All of the separate objects appeare the same in size.

Shape of objects: There was no break in the outline. Source certain he would have recognized conventional aircraft. They had a s configuration, and no great thickness. They were elongated oval, per twice as long as wide, and perhaps five times as long as thick. Sourc out he observed the objects from an angle from above and could not ex estimate their thickness; they could possibly have been egg-shaped, an conceivably have been perfectly oval. The objects seemed definitely objects - there was nothing ethereal about them.

Speed of objects: Source is confident they were traveling as fast as source's own plane (212 MPH). Source had a tail wind of 15 MPH and the objects would therefore have been doing over 230 MPH air sp objects were traveling south/southwest, opposite to source's course. Calculating the speed of the objects, several different ways from the hand, the speed of the objects varies between 190 to 260 MPH. Source concluded at the time of observation that he could not possibly have t around and caught up with the objects. They were definitely traveling than a group of birds, and slower than jet planes. No trail of smoke exhaust was observed. The speed of the objects appeared to be steady.

Terrain, elevations, population, etc. in area: Source flew MSL which was between 4000' and 5000' above terrain. During most of of observation, the objects were 1000' to possibly 1500' below source's Towards the end of sighting when source had begun to come down he was on a level with them in altitude.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

FROM : SAC, San Antonio

DATE: July 26, 1949

SUBJECT: FLYING DISKS
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

On July 15, 1949, the Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, Fourth Army, advised that a small article which had appeared in the Galveston (Texas) News on July 10, 1949, advertised the fact that the Young Men's Business Club of Alexandria, Louisiana, announced that it was planning a convention for persons from all over the nation who have seen flying saucers. It was stated that the convention was planned so that members may compare notes. It was also stated that flying disks were reported twice inthe week preceding the article in Alexandria, Louisiana.

The above is furnished as a matter of information.

cc: New Orleans

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Mr. Tolson
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Mr. Clegg
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
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Mr. Harbo
Mr. [illegible]
Tele. Room
Mr. Nease
Miss Gandy

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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Mr. Mackie
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Flying Saucers

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[redacted], INFO. CONCERNING. REURTEL JULY EIGHTEEN. EFFORTS TO IDENTIFY OR LOCATE [redacted] NEGATIVE.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : The Director

FROM : ~~Mr.~~ Ladd

SUBJECT: FLYING SAUCERS

DATE: July 9, 1949

Mr. Tolson
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Miss Gandy

[redacted]

[redacted] advised that Walter Winchell had received a letter from [redacted], Los Angeles 7, California. Mr. [redacted] read the letter to me and it was very well written, obviously by a man of intelligence. In [redacted] this letter [redacted] stated that in August of 1947 he left Los Angeles for the mountains and started hiking through the mountains. About 10:00 A. M. he was lying on the ground when he observed about one-half block away from him a large silver metal, greenish in color, shaped like a child's top and about the size of the balloons used at County Fairs. He stated that there appeared to be two windows in the object and portions of metal appeared transparent and that he gained the impression that there was some life within this object although he saw no persons. The object appeared as though ~~sent~~ sealed as a pressure chamber. He stood up and waved towards this object and this so-called flying saucer was off the ground in a second, knocking [redacted] to the ground. In its flight he stated that its power was silent and he raised the question as to whether this was ~~is~~ an inter-global landing on our planet. He thought that it might be a devise to land in our planet because the occupants of another planet had become curious as to the reaction caused by the explosion of the atomic bomb causing trouble in an expanded universe. He ~~left~~ asked the question as to whether it was possible that the occupants of another planet might have solved the theory of negative gravity.

Mr. [redacted] stated that this letter indicated a very good knowledge of physics and that he thought it would be interesting to check into Jones' background and then possibly interview him about this alleged flying saucer. Mr. [redacted] stated that it would appear that [redacted] may have actually seen a flying saucer, that in any event it made an awfully good story and he requested that the Bureau keep the matter in confidence.

I would recommend that the Los Angeles Office discreetly check into the background of [redacted] and thereafter interview him for the purpose of determining any facts he possesses about flying saucers in order that it may be determined whether his story is in any way accurate.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : THE DIRECTOR

DATE: July 12, 1949

MS FROM : D. M. Ladd

SUBJECT: FLYING SAUCERS

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Mr. Clegg
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I took a call from [redacted] by reference from your office. He referred to his call of last Saturday relative to a letter Mr. Winchell received from a man in Los Angeles concerning flying saucers. He stated that Winchell wanted to do a column on this letter if the Bureau had no objection.

I told him that whatever he did with reference to writing the story concerning this letter was entirely up to him and would in no way affect anything the Bureau was doing. I suggested that he might desire to check with the Air Corps inasmuch as the handling of flying saucers was a matter of primar interest to them. He stated, "To hell with the Air Force. He just didn't want to release the information if it would affect the Bureau".

DML:dad

Walter Winchell

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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JULY 12, 1949

TO: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION SAC, LOS ANGELES

[redacted], LOS ANGELES,

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INFORMATION CONCERNING. SUBJECT ADDRESSED A LETTER TO WALTER WINCHELL RELATING THAT IN AUGUST, NINETEEN FORTYSEVEN, HE WAS HIKING IN THE MOUNTAINS OUT OF LA AND HE OBSERVED ABOUT ONE HALF BLOCK AWAY FROM HIM A LARGE SILVER METAL OBJECT SHAPED LIKE A CHILD'S TOP ABOUT THE SIZE OF A BALLOON. HE GAINED THE IMPRESSION THERE WAS LIFE WITHIN THE OBJECT THOUGH HE SAW NO ONE. HE STOOD UP AND WAVED TOWARDS THE OBJECT AND WITHIN A SECOND IT TOOK OFF, KNOCKING HIM TO THE GROUND. DISCREETLY CHECK BACKGROUND OF [redacted] THEREAFTER, INTERVIEW HIM FOR THE PURPOSE OF DETERMINING ANY FACTS IN HIS POSSESSION CONCERNING THE STATEMENTS SET OUT HEREIN.

HOOVER

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Mr. Harbo
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Tele. Room
Mr. Nease
Miss Gandy

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice

Los Angeles 13, California
July 13, 1949

DIRECTOR, FBI

Re: [redacted]
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Dear Sir:

Re your teletype July 12, 1949.

[redacted]

Other investigation in an endeavor to locate [redacted] was not productive.

- RUC -

~~DEFERRED RECORDING~~

Very truly yours,

R. B. Hood

R. B. HOOD, SAC

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SAC, LOS ANGELES

[redacted], INFORMATION CONCERNING.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : THE DIRECTOR

DATE: July 12, 1949

FROM : D. M. Ladd

SUBJECT:

Mr. Tolson
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Egan
Mr. Gurnea
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Mohr
Mr. Pennington
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Mr. Nease
Miss Holmes
Miss Gandy

You inquired as to what was being done with reference to the information concerning flying saucers, which information was furnished by [redacted]

I desire to advise that aletter is being prepared [redacted] for the Los Angeles Office suggesting that they make a discreet check of the background of the individual who wrote the letter to Winchell and thereafter interview him for details.

It is believed that a letter is satisfactory inasmuch as it is noted that this alleged incident occurred in 1947.

[redacted]

DML:dad

This should have been done the first thing Monday instead of waiting until Wed. to get it out H.

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Mr. [redacted]
[redacted]
New York, New York

Dear [redacted]

You will recall the telephone conversations about Mr. [redacted] 37th Street, Los Angeles 7, California, and information furnished by him on the subject of "flying saucers."

I thought you would like to know that efforts made to locate Mr. [redacted] have been unsuccessful and casual inquiry in the vicinity he mentioned did not develop information about any one who is acquainted with him.

I thought you might wish to consider the possibility that the original letter in this matter may have been a prank.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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Mr. Gurnea
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Jones
Mr. Mohr
Mr. Pennington
Tele. Room
Mr. Nease
Miss Holmes
Miss Gandy

Mr [redacted] thru. opr. from
~~called~~—phoned. NYC

Phone No. ____________

Hour 10:29am Date July 12, 1949

REMARKS

When informed that Mr. Hoover was not in his office, Mr. [redacted] asked to speak with Mr. Ladd, and after checking the call was transferred to Mr. Ladd.

Mr. Ladd advises that Mr. [redacted] was calling about the matter he discussed with Mr. Ladd on last Saturday re a flying saucer in California. Mr. [redacted] asked if he could release the story. He was told that this was up to him.

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What have we done re ?

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Mr. Pennington
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Mr. Nease
Miss Holmes
Miss [redacted]

Record of Telephone Call or Visit

Flying Saucers

Mr. [redacted]
called ~~phoned~~ from New York City

Phone No. ____________

Hour 10:54am Date July 11, 1949

REMARKS

When informed of Mr. Hoover's and Mr. Ladd's absence from their office, Mr. [redacted] declined to speak to anyone else and stated that he was just following up on a conversation he had with Mr. Ladd over the weekend. He asked that Mr. Ladd be informed of his call.

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August 8, 1952

[redacted]
Charleston, South Carolina

Dear [redacted]

Flying Saucers

I wish to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated August 1, 1952.

Since the matter referred to therein is within the jurisdiction of the Department of the Air Force, I have taken the liberty of forwarding a copy of your letter to that Agency.

Your interest and cooperation in furnishing this material are appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

KWD:mes

Note: Bufiles reflect no record concerning [redacted].

cc - 1 - SAC, Savannah (with copy of incoming)

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[redacted]
Staunton, Virginia

Dear [redacted]

I wish to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated August 12, 1952, addressed to Air Force Intelligence, the Justice Department, and this Bureau.

A careful review of the contents of your communication fails to reflect that the subject matter contained therein is within the jurisdiction of this Bureau.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

cc - 2 - Richmond - with copy of in

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Note: Bufiles fail to reflect any identifiable record on the addressee.

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Air Force Intelligence August 12,
F. B. I.
Justice Dept.

Flying Saucers

Fellow Americans,

I am writing the same letter to all three Departm
On August 1st. I wrote a letter, and mailed it on august
to the Air Force Intelligence Telling my views of a
saucer. In about four days the physicist and Sc
gave out a report of findings identical to my report.
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The idea should have been worked out thoroughly and
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of harm with the answer. There is a possibility
that it could mean an entirely different type of
air warfare. The Air Force could possibly use it for
defensive warfare. It could lead to man-made
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Does the air Force ask me to keep my impression to myself or shall I give a statement to the press my country comes first if the information should kept secret.

I signed my other letter "Respectfully", when lady from Virginia pays her respects to the air Force she expects the air Force to pay its respects right back to her.

Respectfully,

Mrs [redacted]

[redacted]

Staunton

Virginia

MRS. [redacted]

C O P Y

[redacted]

August 12, 1952

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Respectfully,

[redacted]
Staunton,
Virginia

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62-83894

Date: August 11, 1952

To: Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES
AND FIELD OFFICES
ADVISED BY ROUTING
SLIP(S) OF 2040
DATE 9/1/77

From: John Edgar Hoover - Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: FLYING SAUCERS SEEN NEAR THESSALON LAKE,
ONTARIO, CANADA, JULY 27, 1952
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

[redacted], Kokomo, Indiana, on July 30, 1952, advised that on July 27, 1952, at approximately 10:00 A. M. while fishing in the back waters of Thessalon Lake, Ontario, Canada, he noticed a formation of bombing planes, sixteen to twenty in number, in two groups flying south at a height estimated by him to be four or five miles.

Dr. [redacted] stated that the planes went over the lake and suddenly dropped objects, at first thought by him to be parachutes. He continued that these objects fell straight for a short time, then suddenly spurted vapor and at a high rate of speed flew off in a southwesterly direction.

Dr. [redacted] was unable to identify the nationality of the planes, but stated that they had twin trails of bluish smoke. He further stated that the objects which had been dropped from the planes had single trails of bluish smoke.

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He stated that he had been accompanied on his fishing trip by [redacted] Kokomo, Indiana. Dr. [redacted] had no further information concerning instant planes or the objects dropped by them.

No further inquiries are contemplated in this matter. However, if additional information is received by this Bureau, you will be promptly advised.

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TO : [redacted] WAB

FROM : [redacted]

DATE: August 12, 1952

SUBJECT: FLYING DISKS

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Tele. Room
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There is attached a copy of a periodical entitled "Sunday Graphic" dated July 6, 1952, received by the Bureau from the Office of the Legal Attache, American Embassy, London, England.

It is desired that the attached periodical containing an article relating to the captioned matter be filed in the captioned file.

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Mr. [redacted] [redacted]
Baltimore 18, Maryland

Dear [redacted]

Your letter postmarked July 30, 1952, has been received, and I appreciate the interest prompting you to bring your comments to my attention.

Since your communication may be of interest to another governmental agency, I am taking the liberty of forwarding a copy of it to The Honorable, The Secretary of the Air Force, Department of Defense Building, The Pentagon, Washington 25, D. C.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

DIC:amk:mfo

CoCopy of incoming sent to the Secretary of the Air Force by short form.

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J Edgar Hoover   Baltimore 8 MD
F B I   July 28-1952
Washn DC

oFLYING SAUCERS

Dear Sir,

I would like to submit a Theory that may lead to a solution of what the Flying saucers really are - These objects Could be Lights Caused by Radio Television Beams Illuminating moist vapor, not unlike Phosphorus on rain soaked wood in certain seasons - The northern lights "aurora Borealus" have manifested themselfes for years, setting up Electro magnetism & Earth potential which distorts normal Telegraph Communications. The lights es are somewhat like a Fan + can be seen as far south as Equator

It is my opinion that Flying Saucers are Electrically induced currents onto a space (small Clouds) and causing it to glow - This Cloud being Charged Electrically and a Magnetic polarity being same as the interceptor it can never

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gradually, or Dimmer! + dissappear giving the impression that it out distanced the persuer with a great Burst of speed -

This is submitted as a Theory as I do not have the power or facilities to prove or disprove.

But I Submit a suggestion whereby a test Could be made.

When these Saucers appear again Have the TV + all Broadcasts Silenced from the air and check for results - This may not change immediately, as other Elements in this Build could not be turned off or on at a give signal -

However I firmly believe that, if the Idea as set forth in my crude way is submitted to more Learned persons than I Some solution is inevitable -

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Baltimore 18 MD
July 28-1952

J. Edgar Hoover
F.B.I.
Washn DC

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It is my opinion that Flying Saucers are Electrically induced currents onto a space (small clouds) and causing it to glow-this cloud being charged Electrically and a magnetic polarity being same as the interceptor it can never be overtaken, and would if persued gradually grow Dimmer & dissappear giving the impression that it out ddstanced the persuer with a great Burst of speed.

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/s/ [redacted]

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SAC, PHILADELPHIA   August 15, 1952

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FLYING SAUCERS
OSI LIAISON

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Reurlet August 7, 1952, in which you stated that at a weekly liaison conference held in Philadelphia Major [redacted] advised that OSI is no longer interested in receiving reports concerning flying saucers.

OSI, as the official Air Force liaison agency, has agreed to accept reports regarding flying saucers and to transmit these reports to the Air Technical Intelligence Center at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio, where all information pertaining to flying saucers is coordinated. If Major [redacted] still insists that he does not desire to receive reports regarding flying saucers, you should advise the Bureau and the matter will be discussed further with OSI Headquarters in Washington, D. C.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 8/7/52

FROM : SAC, Philadelphia

SUBJECT: FLYING SAUCERS

At the weekly liaison conference held in the Philadelphia Office on August 5, 1952, Major [redacted] advised that OSI is no longer interested in receiving reports concerning flying saucers.

The above is submitted for the Bureau's information.

JLK:ERG

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Letter to SAC, Philadelphia 8/15/52 NWP

August 13, 1952

Mr. [redacted]
[redacted]
Pontiac, Michigan

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Dear Mr. [redacted]

I have received your letter of August 5, 1952, and want to thank you for making the information contained therein available to this Bureau.

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The matter referred to in your letter is not within the jurisdiction of this Bureau and I have taken the liberty of forwarding a copy of your letter to the Department of the Air Force for appropriate action.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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cc - 1 - Detroit

Note for Detroit:

Mr. [redacted] advised the Bureau, in his letter, of his theory regarding flying saucers. It was Mr. [redacted]'s opinion flying saucers are manufactured by General Electric or General Motors Research Laboratories, consist of aluminum tanks filled with helium gas under pressure, and work on magnetic principles.

EHW:kG

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Pontiac, Mich
Aug 5 '52

Flying Discs

F.B.I. Wash D.C.

8-13-52
Ltr [illegible]
& OSI, [illegible]

Gentlemen:- Dear Sirs.

I have a theory on the so called flying saucers.

I don't know where to write to express my opinion.

But yours is the best office in the la[redacted] when it comes to investigations.

If and when I get ready to commit a crime I will expect to get caught but so be it.

If the flying saucers are real then in my opinion they are not from another planet. I would be willing to [illegible]

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[illegible] Brain children of [illegible]

Electric of General Motors Rechore
Refrigerators.

I am not an Electrician all I kno
about Elect. is to grab ahold of one
wire at a time on alternating curr
and let direct current strictly alone.

Its my opinion that these disc
or what have you are aluminum
tanks filled with Heilum gas under
a lot of pressure. and permanent magn
(power full one) built on their sides
with the north polls outside.

When another metal object approac
them they are repulsed at the same
speed as the approaching object.

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When you look at it from that slan

you can see they can never be caugh

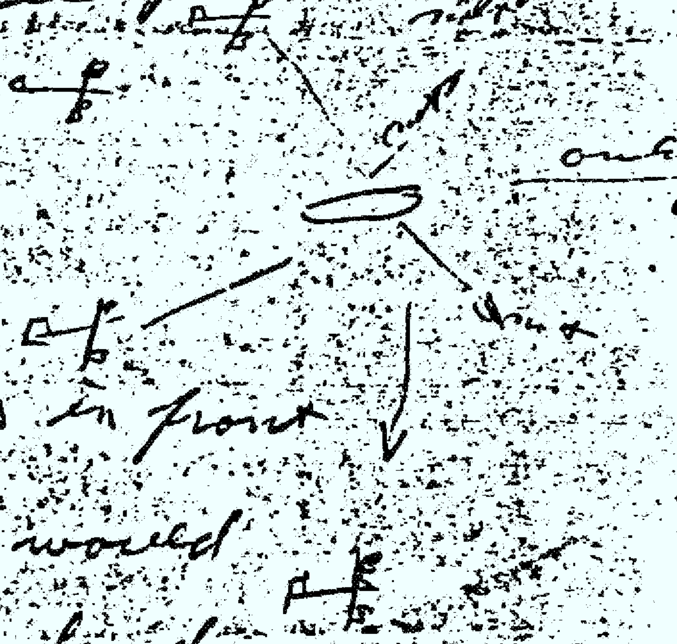
no matter how fast the persuing plan

goes they retreat at the same speed.

One good way to check that woul

be to have three plane to approac

at the angles.



The retreating

object could not cross in front

of any of the plains it would

have to go straight ahead.

you try and get the north pole of a

magnet and south pole to connect and

you will see what I mean

(over)

Ive seen a steel top - toy in space at auto shows, it was merely two poles pushing against each other insted of pulling togather.

Or Push your watch or a piece of steel through a demagnetizer and you will see what I mean,

If a plane were equiped with a magnet of about two or 3 Gs and the north pole pointed at the nose of the plane or stuck out ahead of the propelly a foot or two I think those saucers would be caught.

Respectfully yours

[redacted]

[redacted] J. Peritue

Flying Saucers

Winding Gulf
W Va. Aug 5 1952

Mr Edgar Hoover

A few lines to
let you know a few bd
things that the Gova
mint should know
for all of US sakes ps
stop the people from
Broad casting how
far those flying
saucers are going and
where they are seeing
them at the
reason Russia is
inventing some thing

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that is coming over
here by radio activity
and later they will
be sending the atomic
Bomb over here so try
to stop these are now
getting the distance
and they send out one
and then our people
tells where they see
at and that is all
they want to know.
later on they will send
Suicide planes with out
air pilot here to bomb.

[redacted]

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EX-120

Date: August 13, 1952

To: Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: ANONYMOUS COMMUNICATION WRITTEN
IN THE GERMAN LANGUAGE, RECEIVED
BY THE "CINCINNATI ENQUIRER"
PERTAINING TO "FLYING SAUCERS"
SECURITY MATTER - X

There is attached for your information and any action you desire to take in this matter a Photostat of a letter, written in German, received from an anonymous source, which was addressed to the [redacted]." A Photostat of the envelope, in which the letter was forwarded, is attached and indicates it was mailed on July 31, 1952, at Cincinnati, Ohio.

For your further assistance in this matter a translation of the attached letter from the German is attached.

Attachment

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI DATE: August 6, 1952

FROM : SAC, Cincinnati (100-0)

SUBJECT: ANONYMOUS COMMUNICATION WRITTEN IN GERMAN LANGUAGE RECEIVED BY "CINCINNATI ENQUIRER" PERTAINING TO "FLYING SAUCERS" SECURITY MATTER - X

[redacted] furnished the Cincinnati Office with the enclosed letter and envelope received anonymously at the "[redacted] in an envelope postmarked 7-3-52 at Cincinnati, Ohio.

It will be noted that the enclosed letter is written in the German language, and I am also enclosing a rather loose translation of the letter as furnished by the [redacted].

In view of the widespread interest in so-called "flying saucers," I am forwarding this material to the Bureau, with the thought in mind that the Bureau may desire to have a careful translation made of the attached letter, and the results, if deemed advisable, made available to other Governmental agencies.

Enclosures (3)

ENT:LM

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~~FOR LAB. ACTION AND REPORT~~

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[illegible] [illegible]

Seit 1944 [illegible] Waffe welche [illegible]
nicht ihren [illegible] hergestellt und
[illegible] [illegible] Zeit [illegible] von [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] V Waffe welche [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] hat die [illegible] Durchmesser [illegible]
im Durchmesser hat, hält ein [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] die nach [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Zentren [illegible]
[illegible] Kugel [illegible] [illegible]
und [illegible] für Fernsteuerung befindet
[illegible] der Kugel [illegible] [illegible] genug Raum für [illegible]
[illegible] Atombomben [illegible] Waffen [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] Hand und kann [illegible]
von 30-35000 km Entfernung V Waffen [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] Deutschland sagt [illegible]
[illegible] V 7 daran [illegible] gearbeitet hat
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
als [illegible] Politik [illegible] Volk
[illegible] [illegible] HSCH

FLYING SAUCERS

Since 1944 there have been experimental weapons which should now be in production. The one about which there has been so much discussion is a V-Weapon which has a disc-like round body, about 48.50 metres in diameter and has by way of emission 45 to 50 automatic ------------ (wor not legible). With the setting off of the disc these rotate around a sens plexi-glass sphere in the center in which are located the --------- (word not legible) and guiding apparatus for distance flights. Inside the spher there is also enough space for high explosive atom bombs. These weapons -------- ------ ------ ----- (not legible) and show an effective range from 30 to 35,000 kilometres. V-Weapon Konstrus (Technician?) Riedel (or Riedet), Germany, says it is a typical V-Weapon on which he himself worked

"I am positive that the truth is better than keeping t [illegible] le in ignorance.

N. Sch.

This letter is written apparently by a not highly litera undeveloped handwriting. It is my opinion that he is he has written. If I were handling this, I should turn his letter over to the FBI or some other investigating agency to see if he knows anyth more.

F.Y.

August 4, 1952

August 14, 1952

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62-83894-291

Mrs. [redacted]
[redacted]
EX-25 Fairmont, West Virginia

Dear Mrs. [redacted]

I have received your letter of August 1, 1952, and want to thank you for making the information contained therein available to this Bureau.

The matter referred to in your letter is not within the jurisdiction of this Bureau and I have taken the liberty of forwarding a copy of your letter to the Department of the Air Force for appropriate action.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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cc - 1 - Pittsburgh (Attachment)

NOTE:

Bureau files fail to reflect any information that can be identified with Mrs. [redacted]

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August 1,1952

Hon.J.Edgar Hoover
Dept.F.B.I.
Washington,D.C.

Dear Sir:

I have been hearing so much about the objects called Flying Saucers that I begin to speculate as to whether we are the only Nation or country to witness such a display.

Of course it could be that these odd objects are pest filled Radar controlled waiting to be punctured.We have been so accused by another Nation that no doubt they have devised some diabolical plan to test on us.

I am not inclined to pass these over lightly,because I believe that these gadgets can be made and controlled to the extent of great numbers in groupings.

Also,I believe it is very unwise to make public the locations of sightings as many folk are prone to worry,and a state of mind like this is exactly what our enemy is seeking.

Any one wise enuf to perfect such would not only know their travel distance but also their location,therefore no talk or publications could benefit us in that.

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I hope that someone has had the integrity and foresight to learn where if in any other country these 'things' have been seen.

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Thanking you in advance for the courtesy of a reply,I remain

Respectfully yours,

Mrs. [redacted]

1.13.52 [illegible] [illegible] OSI [illegible] [illegible]

August 13, 1952

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EX-25

Mr. [redacted]
New York City

Dear Mr. [redacted]

I have received your letter of July 31, 1952. The matter referred to in your letter is not within the jurisdiction of this Bureau and I have taken the liberty of forwarding a copy of your letter to the Department of the Air Force for appropriate action.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

EHM:kc

cc - 1 - New York (Attachment)

NOTE:
Bureau files fail to reflect any information that can be identified with Mr. [redacted]

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O Flying Saucers

8-13-5 [illegible] OSI [illegible]

New York City

July 31/52

Department of Investigations Washington D.C

Dear sirs:— B

Am sorry hearing and reading too; much noise about the mistery of the "Flying Plates"

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Also the press part it said EX-31 [illegible] of the

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goverment of U.S. is going
to catch a picture of the
Misteriously
"Flying Plates"
by the radal detectors
I say imposible !!!! ???
Ja !!! Ja!!! You please
and excuse me; for my
laughing.

If you would pearsive
when I wrote to you about
sixth months before. Now
you would not be in
troubles with what
hapens is the atmosphere

Ja!!! Ja!!! Ja!!!
I say if you please

and may excuse me again because I laugh of this Mistery that put in troubles my government.

Just I was waiting for this to write to you again

Now you are in the line because you don't know what happen.

The letter that you "reffused" from Washington to me; was sended again to the Organization of the United Nations at the New York State.

So if you like to know about the "flying plates" look for that letter that should be there. And also

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about some others things
I talk in the same letter.
Ja!!! Ja!!! Ja!!!
I have to laugh because
I know that the peace comes
very soon after I explain
this mystery to my lovely
government of the United
States of America.

Nobody can explain the
mystery of the "Flying Plates"
in a sincerely truth before
me. Just make a try with
the scientific people, and
after, call for me.

Sincerely with all my
love

[redacted]

City

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : A. H. Belmont

DATE: July 31, 1952

FROM : [redacted]

SUBJECT: UNUSUAL FLASHES DURING ELECTRICAL STORM, JERSEY SHORE, PA., JULY 28, 1952
[redacted] COMPLAINANT

Flying saucers

At 2:15 AM on July 31, 1952, [redacted] [redacted], Jersey Shore, Pa., telephonically advised that in the early morning of 7-28-52, during a severe electrical storm in the area of his residence, he had observed seven unusual flashes in the sky, each flash being accompanied by a loud report.

Complainant, who appeared to be under the influence of intoxicants, called as a result of recent newspaper stories regarding phenomena allegedly observed during past week in this country.

Bureau indices contain no information identifiable with the complainant.

Action:

File.

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Date: August 12, 1952

To: Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
The Pentagon
Washington, D. C.

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From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: FLYING SAUCERS

Attached are two copies of a letter from Mrs. [redacted] dated July 31, 1952, addressed to the War Department, c/o Federal Bureau of Investigation, the contents of which are self-explanatory.

Mrs. [redacted] letter has been acknowledged and she has been advised of this referral.

Enclosure

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES
AND FIELD OFFICES
ADVISED BY ROUTING
SLIP(S) OF 2040
DATE 9/11/79

Note On Yellow Only:

Previous material concerning flying saucers furnished OSI. (62-83894)

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Mt Palestine Indiana
July 31/52

To Federal Bureau of Investigation
+ The War Dept
Washington D.C.

Ack my

Gentlemen: OF FLYING SAUCERS

Since reading + hearing over Radio about the "flying saucers", I am compelled to write to you -

SAM Moseburg

I am a strong believer in our almighty God + Christ our Lord. [illegible] Gospel I have the [illegible] hand.

I feel that these Saucers are films from a secret Camera operated by something like T.V. I do believe it

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Ack 8-12-52 [illegible]

They are operating through
the Communist Party
right here in the, or
Our United States, by radar
Every Group of saucers has
a picture, the best picture
are Kept for bombing
purposes.
Why "WE see them just
once & a while;
They dont want the
U.S. to catch on.
To my opinion they have
a way of causing them
to be invisible.

They can lower them or
send them high; When
high they are invisible.
It could be from an enemie
plaine, or from a tall
building in the United States
It could be the Camera is
Carried in to cities and
aperated from Tall building
the Ones that some One
seen With a tail of fire
in the picture that is
Kept.
So lets be on the look out
for the Next one and
follow their path.
Please Keep my Name
Confedentley.
Mrs [redacted]
(over)

When they w.t over Washing
D.C. it could been from
the tallest building there.
You might start from
the first place they were
ever seen. trace back
you might find the
secret place.
And pray with out seeing
And have faith.
Our good Book says do not
let our secrets be known.
When praying & trusting
in God pray secretly
unto heaven.

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[redacted]

New Palestine Indiana
July 31,/52

c/o Federal Beaura of Investigation
The War Dept
Washington D.C.

Gentlemen:

Since reading & hearing over Radio about the "flying saucers," I am compelled to Write to you -

I am a strong believer in our almight God & Christ our Lord.
I have the faith Daniel had.

I feal that these Saucers are films from a secret Camera operated by something like T.V. I do believe, They are operating through the Comuniest Party right here in the, or our Unitid States, by radar Evey Group of Saucers has a picture, the best picture are kept for bombing purposes.

Why"we see them just once & a while; They dont want the U.S. to catch on. To my opinion they have a way of causing them to be invisible.

They can Lower them or send them high; When high they are invisible; It could be from an enemie plaine, or from a tall building in the United States. It could be the Camera is carried, in to cities and operated from tall buildings the ones that some one seen with a tail of fire is the picture that is Kept;

So lets be on the look out for the next one and follow their path.
Please Keep my Name confidently.
/s/ [redacted]

P.S.
When they were over Washington D.C. it could a been from the Tollest building there. You might Start from the first place they were ever seen - trace back you might find the secret place.

And pray with out sceasing "And have faith" Our good Bood - says do not let our secrets be known, when praying & trusting in God pray secretly into him.

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EX-129

Date: August 8, 1952

To: Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

From: John Edgar Hoover - Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: AERIAL OBJECTS;
"FLYING SAUCERS"
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

There are attached two copies of a letter dated August 1, 1952, from [redacted], Post Office Box 526, Charleston, South Carolina, regarding "Flying Saucers."

Miss [redacted] communication has been acknowledged and she has been informed of this referral.

No investigation is contemplated with regard to this matter.

Attachment

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APPROPRIATE AGENCIES
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P.O. Box 5-24
Charleston,
S.C.

J. Edgar Hoover:

I Would like to express my oponion on the flying saucers, and guess it will be as good as some I've read.

FLYING SAUCERS

I can't remember of hearing any thing about them until television come into existence

I wondered if the rays could be strong enough to give off a bright object looking apparition

No, special reason for sending you my idea just couldn't think of any one else to send it to.

Sincerely

[redacted]

[illegible]

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File [illegible] H.O. [illegible]

TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT

FROM : V. P. KEAY

SUBJECT: FLYING SAUCERS

TE: July 29, 1952

Tolson
Ladd
Clegg
Glavin
Rosen
Tracy
Harbo
Belmont
Mohr
Tele. Room
Nease
Gandy

Baumgardner

__PURPOSE:__

To advise at the present time the Air Force has failed to arrive at any satisfactory conclusion in its research regarding numerous reports of flying saucers and flying discs sighted throughout the United States.

__DETAILS:__

Mr. N. W. Philcox, the Bureau's Air Force Liaison Representative, made arrangements through the office of Major General John A. Samford, Director of Air Intelligence, U.S. Air Force, to receive a briefing from Commander Randall Boyd of the Current Intelligence Branch, Estimates Division, Air Intelligence, regarding the present status of Air Intelligence research into the numerous reports regarding flying saucers and flying discs.

Commander Boyd advised that Air Intelligence has set up at Wright Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio, the Air Technical Intelligence Center which has been established for the purpose of coordinating, correlating and making research into all reports regarding flying saucers and flying discs. He advised that Air Force research has indicated that the sightings of flying saucers goes back several centuries and that the number of sightings reported varies with the amount of publicity. He advised that immediately if publicity appears in newspapers, the number of sightings reported increases considerably and that citizens immediately call in reporting sightings which occurred several months previously. Commander Boyd stated that these reported sightings of flying saucers are placed into three classifications by Air Intelligence:

(1) Those sightings which are reported by citizens who claim they have seen flying saucers from the ground. These sightings vary in description, color and speeds. Very little credence is given to these sightings inasmuch as in most instances they are believed to be imaginative or some explainable object which actually crossed through the sky.

(2) Sightings reported by commercial or military pilots. These sightings are considered more credible

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by the Air Force inasmuch as commercial or military pilots are experienced in the air and are not expected to see objects which are entirely imaginative. In each of these instances, the individual who reports the sighting is thoroughly interviewed by a representative of Air Intelligence so that a complete description of the object sighted can be obtained.

(3) Those sightings which are reported by pilots and for which there is additional corroboration, such as recording by radar or sighting from the ground. Commander Boyd advised that this latter classification constitutes two or three per cent of the total number of sightings, but that they are the most credible reports received and are difficult to explain. Some of these sightings are originally reported from the ground, then are observed by pilots in the air and then are picked up by radar instruments. He stated that in these instances there is no doubt that these individuals reporting the sightings actually did see something in the sky. However, he explained that these objects could still be natural phenomena and still could be recorded on radar if there was some electrical disturbance in the sky.

He stated that the flying saucers are most frequently observed in areas where there is heavy air traffic, such as Washington, D.C., and New York City. He advised, however, that some reports are received from other parts of the country covering the entire United States and that sightings have also recently been reported as far distant as Acapulco, Mexico; Korea and French Morocco. He advised that the sightings reported in the last classification have never been satisfactorily explained. He pointed out, however, that it is still possible that these objects may be a natural phenomenon or some type of atmospherical disturbance. He advised that it is not entirely impossible that the objects sighted may possibly be ships from another planet such as Mars. He advised that at the present time there is nothing to substantiate this theory but the possibility is not being overlooked. He stated that Air Intelligence is fairly certain that these objects are not ships or missiles from another nation in this world. Commander Boyd advised that intense research is being carried on presently by Air Intelligence, and at the present time when credible reportings of sightings are received, the Air Force is attempting in each instance to send up jet interceptor planes in order to obtain a better view of these objects. However, recent attempts in this regard have indicated that when the pilot in the jet approaches the object it invariably fades from view.

RECOMMENDATION:

None. The foregoing is for your information.

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REGISTERED AIR MAIL

Date: August 11, 1952

To: [redacted]

From: John Edgar Hoover - Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: FLYING SAUCERS SEEN NEAR THESSALON LAKE,
ONTARIO, CANADA, JULY 27, 1952
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

Dr. [redacted], Indiana, on July 30, 1952, advised that on July 27, 1952, at approximately 10:00 A.M. while fishing in the back waters of Thessalon Lake, Ontario, Canada, he noticed a formation of bombing planes, sixteen to twenty in number, in two groups flying south at a height estimated by him to be four or five miles.

Dr. [redacted] stated that the planes went over the lake and suddenly dropped objects, at first thought by him to be parachutes. He continued that these objects fell straight for a short time, then suddenly spurted vapor and at a high rate of speed flew off in a southwesterly direction.

Dr. [redacted] was unable to identify the nationality of the planes, but stated that they had twin trails of bluish smoke. He further stated that the objects which had been dropped from the planes had single trails of bluish smoke.

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cc - Foreign Service Desk

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He stated that he had been accompanied on his fishing trip by [redacted], Kokomo, Indiana. Dr. [redacted] had no further information concerning instant planes or the objects dropped by them.

The above is furnished for your information. No further inquiries are contemplated.

Tolson____
Ladd____
Nichols____
Belmont____
Clegg____
Glavin____
Harbo____
Rosen____
Tracy____
Laughlin____
Mohr____
Tele. Rm.____
Holloman____
Gandy____
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI DATE: July 31, 1952

FROM : SAC, Indianapolis (62-0)

SUBJECT: FLYING SAUCERS SEEN NEAR THESSALON LAKE, ONTARIO, CANADA, JULY 27, 1952
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

Dr. [redacted] Kokomo, Indiana, on July 30, 1952 advised Special Agent [redacted] [redacted] that on July 27, 1952 at approximately 10:00 A.M. while fishing in the back waters of Thessalon Lake, Ontario, Canada, he noticed a formation of bombing planes, sixteen to twenty in number, in two groups flying south at a height estimated by him to be four or five miles.

Dr. [redacted] stated that the planes went over the lake, suddenly dropped objects at first thought by him to be parachutes. He continued that these objects fell straight down for a short time, then suddenly spurted vapor and at a high rate of speed flew off in a southwesterly direction.

Dr. [redacted] was unable to identify the nationality of the planes, but stated that they had twin trails of bluish smoke. He further stated that the objects which had been dropped from the planes had a single trail of bluish smoke.

He stated that he had been accompanied on his fishing trip by [redacted], Kokomo, Indiana. Dr. [redacted] had no further information concerning instant planes or the objects dropped by them.

Dr. [redacted] was referred to the FBI by [redacted], President of the First National Bank of Kokomo, Indiana, who advised that Dr. [redacted] enjoyed a good reputation in Kokomo.

UACB, no further action will be taken in this matter. The above is being forwarded for the information of the Bureau in the event they desire to communicate this information to the Air Force.

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EX-28

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: July 29, 1952

FROM : SAC, WASHINGTON FIELD 62-0

SUBJECT: AERIAL OBJECTS
"Flying Saucers"
INFORMATION CONCERNING

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[redacted]

On July 28, 1952, at the Weekly Intelligence Conference, Captain [redacted], Office of Special Investigations, 4th Air Force Base, Bolling Field, advised the representative of the FBI, Washington Field Office, over the prior weekend, his office had received reports concerning the observation of aerial objects. Captain [redacted] referred to a phone call made to his office by Special Agent [redacted] of the Washington Field Office, furnishing to OSI the identity of a woman who reportedly had observed an aerial object. [redacted] praised the WFO for the expeditious notification in this instance.

Captain [redacted] Colonel [redacted] [redacted] superior office, and Special Agent [redacted] in a conference on July 28, 1952, discussed the matter of immediate notification of OSI. This conference resulted in the request by Colonel [redacted] and Captain [redacted] that in the event, whenever information is received by the FBI, in which it is alleged that someone has observed a "Flying Saucer", this information be immediately relayed to Captain [redacted] office. It is to be noted that this office may be reached by dialing Code 1261 and asking for Extension 509. Captain [redacted] said this number should be called under these circumstances at any time, day or night.

Captain [redacted] stated that the Air Force is greatly concerned about this matter of aerial objects and said that the Air Force Intelligence would appreciate the execution of the requested procedure, mentioned above. It is suggested that the Bureau bring this matter to the attention of its night supervisors, since these night supervisors also receive complaints from persons outside of the Bureau and may receive information concerning the observation of aerial objects.

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Memo for night supervisors

Let Bureau

July 15, 1952

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Mr. [redacted]
[redacted]
Robinson, Illinois
62-83894-273

Dear Mr. [redacted]

Your letter of July 8, 1952, has been received.

While I would like to be of service, the subject matter of your communication does not relate to an activity within the investigative jurisdiction of the FBI. I have, however, taken the liberty of referring a copy of your letter to The Honorable, The Secretary of the Air Force, Department of Defense Building, The Pentagon, Washington 25, D. C., who may be able to be of assistance.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Copy of incoming to Secretary of the Air Force bl-form letter.

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Mr. N
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Mr. C
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Mr. R
Mr. T
Mr. L
Mr. M
Tele. R
Mr. H
Miss G

July 8, 1952

[redacted]
Robinson, Illinois

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, District of Columbia

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Perhaps this is a little out of your line of endeavor, however, I feel that perhaps you or your organization might be able to give me some information concerning the following matter.

From the first time it was written up in the press I have been keenly interested in strange celestial phenomena such as the flying disks popularly called "flying saucers."

Now out of all the thousands of people who have reported sightings not all of them have had too much to drink, nor could they have been victims of optical illusions, retinal retention, or hallucinations. Some of the objects sighted could not have been jet craft, guided missiles, or rockets, neither could they all have been weather instruments. Unretouched and undoctored photographs have given evidence that someone must have seen something.

It seems that both civil and military authorities are most willing to proclaim what the objects are not. I feel there is more to the matter than meets the eye. My decision to write you was based on the thought I would get straight answers.

Do you have any ideas or data on this subject? What are your opinions? If not, where might I write for such information? Any kindness, consideration, or information which you can extend toward me concerning this matter will certainly be most sincerely appreciated.

Very truly yours,

[redacted]

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Tolson

DATE: June 4, 1952

FROM : L. B. Nichols

SUBJECT: [redacted]
INFORMATION CONCERNING
FLYING DISCS
BUREAU FILE 62-83894, Serials 80, 184, and 225

During my absence at 11:50 A.M. today, [redacted] [redacted] in the office of Drew Pearson, called and talked with wick. [redacted] stated Pearson has been in contact with Dr. [redacted] (Phoenix telephone number [redacted]) concerning photographs which the above captioned took of flying discs in the Phoenix area in July of 1947.

[redacted] states that Dr. [redacted] told Pearson today that the FBI borrowed his negatives of the flying discs and when asked for their return the FBI told Rhodes the negatives were not available.

[redacted] asked whether there is any truth to this statement of [redacted] and what the FBI knew about him.

It appears that Pearson is interested in using the photographs on his television program and is desirous of borrowing them from the Bureau or having them returned to Dr. [redacted]

BACKGROUND:

Bureau files reflect that on August 29, 1947, a Mr. [redacted], called at the Phoenix Office exhibiting credentials reflecting he represented A-2, Fourth Air Force, Hamilton Field, California. He asked an Agent to accompany him to interview [redacted] who previously reported the photographing of a flying disc in Phoenix on the afternoon of July 7, 1947.

The Phoenix Office contacted SAC Harry Kimball of the San Francisco Office and Mr. [redacted] verified the fact that [redacted] came to Phoenix as a representative of Colonel [redacted] of Hamilton Field, and it was suggested the Phoenix Office assist [redacted] not in investigating [illegible], but in simply talking with Dr. [redacted]

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By letter dated September 4, 1947, the Phoenix Office set forth in four pages the results of this interview and stated [redacted] had requested the negatives from [redacted] who did not have them in his immediate possession. [redacted] stated, however, he would deliver them to the FBI the following morning for transmittal to [redacted] at Hamilton Field, California.

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cc - Mr. Ladd
cc - Mr. Belmont
REW:md

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On the morning of August 30, 1947, [redacted] delivered the negatives to the Phoenix Office at which time they were accepted with the understanding they were being given to Mr. [redacted], a representative of the Army Air Force Intelligence, United States Army, and that there was little, if any, chance of his getting the negatives back. Mr. [redacted] turned the negatives over to the FBI with the full understanding they were being given to the Air Force and he would not get them back. (62-83894-80, page 4)

On April 17, 1950, Mr. [redacted] advised the Phoenix Office that True Magazine would like to secure the photographs which he had made available to Air Force Intelligence. At that time Rhodes was referred to OSI, Fourth Air Force Base, San Francisco, California, since they had been made available to this agency by the Phoenix Office on August 30, 1947.

By letter dated June 8, 1949, the Phoenix Office advised the Bureau that on the previous day Mr. [redacted], OSI representative, Phoenix, Arizona, called the Phoenix Office stating he had been requested by his superiors in San Francisco to obtain detailed information concerning the negatives since [redacted] had reques their return. [redacted] pointed out that [redacted]'s recollection on the matter was "hazy." OSI requested and was given with Bureau approval a memorandum setting out essentially the information related above concerning this matter.

ACTION TAKEN:

Mr. [redacted] was advised by Nick that the FBI did not have in its possession the negatives referred to by Mr. [redacted] and in fact [redacted] knew full well the FBI turned them over to Air Force Intelligence representatives, Fourth Air Force, Hamilton Field, California, on August 30, 1947, with the understanding he might never have them returned.

[redacted] was advised the FBI did not investigate this matter, did not investigate [redacted] and had no interest whatsoever in the matter other than to accompany the representative from Hamilton Field while interviewing [redacted]. [redacted] was told that for these reasons, of course, we had no information concerning the reliability of Rhodes.

[redacted] was most appreciative for receiving this information and said he would contact the office of Special Investigations of the Air Force for what assistance they might be to him. He said also he would straighten out [redacted], informing him the FBI only as a courtesy to the Air Force representatives received the negatives from him and transmitted them.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT VB

DATE: June 17, 1952

FROM : [redacted]

SUBJECT: [redacted]

MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING FLYING DISCS

Reference is made to the memorandum captioned as above dated June 10, 1952, from Mr. [redacted] to Mr. Belmont, which requested that OSI be contacted to determine if they turned over negatives of photographs of flying discs taken by the above-captioned individual to Mr. [redacted] who works for Drew Pearson.

Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] and Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] of OSI were both contacted and both advised that no inquiries had been received by OSI from [redacted]

The Bureau's Air Force Liaison Representative then contacted Colonel [redacted] of Air Force Intelligence (A-2) who likewise advised that no inquiries had been received by the Office of the Director of Intelligence from [redacted] or anyone in Pearson's office. It is noted that matters involving flying discs are handled by A-2. Colonel [redacted] advised that it was possible that any inquiries made by Drew Pearson's office would be made in the Office of the Public Information Officer of the Air Force. However, Colonel [redacted] contacted the Public Information Office, and he was advised that no inquiries had been received from Drew Pearson's office regarding flying discs and no photographs or negatives of photographs of flying discs had ever been furnished to Drew Pearson's office.

Colonel [redacted] advised that ordinarily when information regarding flying discs is received by Air Force representatives in the field, the information is referred to the Air Technical Intelligence Center, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio, for research and correlation.

ACTION:

None. The foregoing is for your information.

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TO : A. H. Belmont DATE: June 10, 1952

FROM : [redacted]

SUBJECT: [redacted]
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING
FLYING DISCS

PURPOSE

To recommend that Bureau Liaison contact OSI to determine whether photographs allegedly taken by the captioned individual of a flying disc in 1947 were furnished by OSI to the office of Drew Pearson.

BACKGROUND

Bureau files reflect that on August 29, 1947, a [redacted], called at the Phoenix Office exhibiting credentials reflecting he represented A-2, Fourth Air Force, Hamilton Field, California. He asked an Agent to accompany him to interview [redacted] who previously reported the photographing of a flying disc in Phoenix on the afternoon of July 7, 1947.

The Phoenix Office contacted SAC Harry Kimball of the San Francisco Office and Mr. Kimball verified the fact that [redacted] came to Phoenix as a representative of Colonel [redacted] of Hamilton Field, and it was suggested the Phoenix Office assist [redacted] not in investigating the matter but in simply talking with Dr. [redacted]

By letter dated September 4, 1947, the Phoenix Office set forth in four pages the results of this interview and stated [redacted] had requested the negatives from [redacted] who did not have them in his immediate possession. [redacted] stated, however, he would deliver them to the FBI the followin morning for transmittal to [redacted] at Hamilton Field, Californi

On the morning of August 30, 1947, [redacted] delivered the negatives to the Phoenix Office at which time they were accepted with the understanding they were being given to Mr. [redacted], a representative of the Army Air Force Intelligence, United States Army, and that there was little, if any, chance of his getting the negatives back. Mr. [redacted] turned the negatives over to the FBI with the full understanding they wer being given to the Air Force and he would not get them back.
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memo from Mr. King 6/17/52

On April 17, 1950, Mr. [redacted] advised the Phoenix Office that True Magazine would like to secure the photographs which he had made available to Air Force Intelligence. At that time [redacted] was referred to OSI, Fourth Air Force Base, San Francisco, California, since they had been made available to this agency by the Phoenix Office on August 30, 1947.

By letter dated June 8, 1949, the Phoenix Office advised the Bureau that on the previous day Mr. [redacted] [redacted], OSI representative, Phoenix, Arizona, called the Phoenix Office stating he had been requested by his superiors in San Francisco to obtain detailed information concerning the negatives since [redacted] had requested their return. [redacted] pointed out that [redacted] recollection on the matter was "hazy." OSI requested and was given with Bureau approval a memorandum setting out essentially the information related above concerning this matter. (62-83894, Serials 80, 184, and 225)

RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

On June 4, 1952, Mr. [redacted] in the office of Drew Pearson, called and talked with Special Agent Wick. [redacted] stated Pearson had been in contact with the captioned individual concerning photographs which [redacted] had taken of flying discs in the Phoenix area in July of 1947. [redacted] stated the subject told Pearson the FBI borrowed his negatives and when he asked for their return the FBI told him the negatives were not available. [redacted] inquired whether there was any truth to [redacted] statement and what the Bureau knew concerning him. It appeared that Pearson was interested in using the photographs on his television program and was desirous of borrowing them from the Bureau or having them returned to the subject.

Mr. [redacted] was advised by Wick that the FBI did not have in its possession the negatives referred to by Mr. [redacted] and in fact [redacted] knew full well the FBI turned them over to Air Force Intelligence representatives, Fourth Air Force Hamilton Field, California, on August 30, 1947, with the understanding he might never have them returned.

[redacted] was advised the FBI did not investigate this matter, did not investigate [redacted] and had no interest whatsoever in the matter other than to accompany the representat from Hamilton Field while interviewing [redacted]. [redacted] was told that for these reasons, of course, we had no information concerning the reliability of [redacted]

[redacted] was most appreciative for receiving this information and said he would contact the office of Special Investigations of the Air Force for what assistance they might be to him. He said also he would straighten out [redacted], informing him the FBI only as a courtesy to the Air Force representatives received the negatives from him and transmitted them.

It has been reported that Drew Pearson, on his television program of June 8, 1952, demonstrated photographs of flying discs. It is not known whether the photographs displaye by Pearson on his television program are those referred to in the captioned case.

RECOMMENDATION

In order to bring our file in this matter to an up-to-date status and to resolve the question raised by the subject, it is recommended liaison contact OSI and determine whether the photographs displayed by Pearson on his television program of June 8, 1952, are the photographs obtained from the subject in this case. Inasmuch as [redacted] indicated he would contact the OSI concerning this matter it is believed highly probable that is where the photographs of flying discs were obtained by Pearson's office.

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

28 MAY 1952

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Received from OSI
Date: 6/4/5
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Honorable J. Edgar Hoover
Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington 25, D. C.

Flying Saucers

ATTN: Mr. N. [illegible]cox, Liaison Agent

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RE: Unidentified Aerial Object Sighted General Area Ritchie Highway, South Baltimore, Maryland, 10:45 PM, 29 Mar 52 by Donald Stewart, 2241 Warr[redacted] Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland

Dear Sir:

There is attached for your information a copy of a report by Special Agent Boyce Royal of this office dated May 12, 1952, in regard to the captioned subject. [redacted]

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No further inquiry into this matter is contemplated by the Office of Special Investigations.

Sincerely,

Gilbert R. Levi

GILBERT R. LEVI
Chief, Counter Intelligence Division
Directorate of Special Investigations
The Inspector General

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UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
THE INSPECTOR GENERAL
OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS

REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

FILE NO.	24-411
DATE	MAY 12 1952
REPORT MADE BY	BOYCE ROYAL, S/A br
REPORT MADE AT	DO #4, Bolling AFB
PERIOD	10, 11, 12 May 1952
OFFICE OF ORIGIN	Hq. OSI
STATUS	RUC

TITLE
UNKNOWN SUBJECT:
Sighting of Unidentified Aerial
Object, Ritchie Highway, SO.
Baltimore, Maryland, 29 March 1952

CHARACTER
SPECIAL INQUIRY

Unauthorized disclosure of information contained in this report is prohibited and will be considered a violation of AFR 205-1 and AFR 205-6, paragraph 11.

REFERENCE
Telephone message CI Division Hq. OSI, 9 May 1952

SYNOPSIS

Investigation requested by Hq. OSI predicated on information received from Air Technical Intelligence Center, Wright Patterson AFB that DONALD STEWART and (FNU) TYLER had observed unconventional type aircraft on 29 March 1952 in the vicinity of Baltimore, Maryland. Information relayed to Air Technical Intelligence Center, Wright Patterson AFB by ULIUS LOUIS AMOSS who received it from LOU CORBIN, a news commentator, employed by station WFBR, Baltimore, Md. CORBIN interviewed, furnished information that DONALD STEWART, [redacted] and GEORGE TYLER III, [redacted], had been interviewed by him on 24 and 27 April 1952 and had reported sighting a disc-like aircraft at approximately 2045 hours, 29 March 1952 on Ritchie Highway near the intersection of US Route 301; that automobile engine stopped and paint cracked as aircraft hovered 200 feet above car. STEWART interviewed and related substantially the same story which he had given CORBIN previously. RAY FOX, Engineer, Westinghouse Electric Corporation, Baltimore, Md, interviewed, advised he had made complete examination of STEWART's vehicle at request of CORBIN; including examination with geiger counter and determined no unusual defects. AMOSS interviewed, stated had no direct knowledge of incident and had merely relayed information furnished him by CORBIN; advised that several residents, Gibson Island, Maryland had heard unusual noises but none had observed any such aircraft. TYLER interviewed and confirmed statement given by STEWART however, upon reinterview, admitted that he had not been with STEWART at the time of the alleged sighting, and had not seen any such aircraft; advised that STEWART had asked him to tell that story and that he had done so. Interviews conducted along Ritchie Highway in vicinity of location where aircraft

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District Commander

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SYNOPSIS (Cont'd

was allegedly sighted indicated no knowledge of any such craft. Anne Arundel County Police Department had no record of reports of described aircraft. STEWART in reinterview reaffirmed sighting and that TYLER had been with him at the time and had seen the aircraft. File checks re STEWART at local police agencies negative. [redacted].] FBI check re TYLER, CORBIN, AMOSS negative.

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DETAILS:

1. This investigation was initiated upon a request from Headquarters OSI on 9 May 1952 from Lt. Col. LUCIUS L. FREE, predicated upon information received from Lt. Col. RAY W. TAYLOR, Air Technical Intelligence Center, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, to the effect that Col. TAYLOR had received information regarding an unidentified aircraft which was reported to have been seen at 2245 hours, 29 March 1952, on Ritchie Highway, south of Baltimore, Maryland. Air Technical Intelligence Center advised that the information had been received from ULIUS LOUIS AMOSS, a civilian.

2. This is a joint investigation of Special Agents CLIFFORD F. JONES, OLIVER R. WEATHERHOLT, and the writer.

AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

3. On 10 May 1952 Lt. Col. LUCIUS L. FREE, Headquarters OSI, was interviewed and furnished the writer with a copy of a TWX received from the Air Intelligence Center, Wright-Patterson AFB. Information contained in the TWX is summarized as follows:

The TWX represents a copy of a letter to the Commanding General, Project Blue Book, from ULIUS LOUIS AMOSS, [redacted] dated 24 April 1952. The letter stated that one DONALD STEWART, residing at [redacted], had observed an unconventional type aircraft on 29 March 1952. Present with him at the time of this observation was one FNU TYLER, believed to be a seventeen year old (17) high school student. The aircraft was allegedly observed while STEWART and TYLER were driving north on Ritchie Highway, approaching Baltimore, Maryland. It was described as shaped like a large pancake and was alleged to have hovered over the automobile, killing the engine. The letter also advised that STEWART had been interviewed by a LOU CORBIN, a radio announcer of WFBR, Baltimore radio station. CORBIN was described as a reserve CIC officer. The letter also stated that a GEORGE VASON and son, JOHN VASON, alleged to reside on [redacted], had also seen such an aircraft. A NELSON STRIEKCIRUT and wife, and a Mrs. SALLY SYMINGTON HENDERSON and Judge and Mrs. HENDERSON were all said to have heard an aerial noise on 19 April 1952 at approximately 2300 hours. The Glenn Burnie Police were said to have had many similar incidents reported but laughed them off.

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AT BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

4. On 10 May 1952 Mr. HUBERT KEITH, U. S. Weather Bureau, International Friendship Airport, Baltimore, Maryland, advised that the weather map for 2226 hours, 29 March 1952, indicated clear sky, NNW winds - eight (8) miles per hour; at 2256 hours, 29 March 1952, partly

cloudy, NNE winds - twelve (12) miles per hour; winds aloft at one thousand (1000) feet, NNE - sixteen (16) miles per hour.

5. On 10 May 1952 Mr. LOUIS E. CORBIN was interviewed at radio station WFBR in Baltimore, Maryland, and stated in substance as follows:

Mr. CORBIN advised that he had received information in the latter part of April to the effect that a DONALD F. STEWART, residing at [redacted], had, while accompanied by Mr. GEORGE S. TYLER III, observed a strange appearing aircraft on 29 March 1952. Mr. CORBIN indicated that the source of his information had been a newspaper reporter for one of the local newspapers, whose name he did not divulge. CORBIN related that he had for some time been interested in the "flying saucer situation", and that it had been his intention to write a documentary program for broadcast concerning that subject. He said further that inasmuch as the above incident was the first one to be brought to his attention within that area, he determined to investigate it.

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On 24 April 1952 CORBIN interviewed Mr. DONALD F. STEWART and ascertained that he was employed as a clerk by the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad. He further ascertained that the date of observation was 29 March 1952; place, Ritchie Highway near the harness track; time, 10:45 PM; weather, clear; moon and stars out; approximate length of observation, two (2) minutes; estimated altitude, two hundred (200) feet. CORBIN obtained the details of the incident and set them down in a chronological order. A photostatic reproduction of the information obtained in that interview is being forwarded as an inclosure to this report. CORBIN also interviewed Mr. GEORGE S. TYLER III relative to the above incident and made a similar writing, a photostatic reproduction of which is being forwarded as an inclosure to this report.

CORBIN advised the writer that he was acquainted with the editor of a civilian intelligence bulletin, Mr. ULIUS LOUIS AMOSS, to whom he communicated the above information. Mr. CORBIN further advised that he would not release any of the information publicly and did not intend to do so until such time as the authorities completed investigation of the incident. CORBIN related that when he had called the Anne Arundel County Police they had informed him that they had had numerous reports of that nature but had passed them off as harmless. CORBIN stated that he had had a friend of his, RAYMOND FOX, conduct a scientific examination of STEWART's automobile for the purpose of determining any unusual characteristics which might have been present. CORBIN advised that he was not a reserve CIC officer; however, he related that he had been an intelligence officer with the staff of General GEORGE S. PATTON in Europe and that he presently holds an inactive reserve commission as lieutenant colonel, 0-375036.

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Mr. COR [illegible], during the course of the interview, made no mention of GEORGE or JOHN MASON, and when specifically questioned with regards to the two above individuals, he said that he did not recall either.

6. On 10 May 1952 the records of the FBI Field Office, Baltimore, Maryland, were reviewed and reflected that [redacted], No information concerning reports of unconvential aircraft sighted during the past two (2) years were on record at the FBI Field Office.

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7. Mr. DONALD FRANKLIN STEWART was interviewed at his residence, [redacted] on 10 May 1952, and with reference to the incident in instant case, he related in substance as follows:

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STEWART, accompanied by his friend, GEORGE TYLER, were returning to Baltimore from Glenn Burnie, Maryland, via the Ritchie Highway, on 29 March 1952. They were in a 1949 Anglia Vampire, an English car, and were proceeding in a northerly direction, having just left a Howard Johnson Restaurant adjacent to the intersection of Ritchie Highway and U. S. Highway #301. While approximately opposite a harness track five hundred (500) yards north of the above named intersection, STEWART related, he observed a strange looking aircraft appearing on the horizon ahead of his automobile. STEWART described the aircraft as being a flat disk with a cupola or dome in the center of one side. He described the dome as having what appeared to be a small porthole on one side and the shadowy outline of what appeared to be a "hatch, similar to those found on a ship". He stated that this craft approached his vehicle from a northeasterly direction and hovered above his automobile.

He further described the object as being of a luminous silver color and emitting bright lights around the edges similar to neon tubing of high brilliance. He stated that at the time the incident occurred [redacted] he left the automobile and walked around the car several times [redacted] He advised that his companion, TYLER, remained in the automobile [redacted]

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STEWART stated that when the aircraft came to rest above his automobile, it appeared to be "at least fifty feet (50) in diameter, and wavered slightly." While in sight the aircraft gave off a sound similar to that of a vacuum cleaner. STEWART averred that the aircraft maintained its position above the automobile for approximately three (3) minutes and then turned on its edge, thereby presenting its flat surface to his vision, and appeared to roll across the sky at a terrific rate of speed, greater than that of a jet plane. STEWART estimated the horizon to the southwest of his vision, towards which the object was traveling, as approximately three and one-half (3½) miles from his position, and that the object as it disappeared across the horizon was approximately the dimension of a five (5) inch disk held at arm's length. He advised that when the object first appeared, it appeared to be at an angle to the horizon of fifty (50) degrees, and as he was proceeding north it appeared on the northeast horizon on the crest of a hill. He also advised that during the period the object was in his vision he noticed no sign of activity within it and discerned no odor from it.

STEWART advised that during the time of the above observation of the aircraft there was only one other automobile in the immediate vicinity. He described this to be a 1948 Pontiac convertible, yellow, with 1952 Maryland license plates, the first three (3) digits of which were six-zero-zero (600). He related that the car was apparently occupied by a man and a woman and that the man had dismounted his automobile and was looking at the aircraft, but that upon being hailed by STEWART, had returned to his automobile and driven off rapidly. It was Mr. STEWART's opinion that he did so upon seeing the aforementioned

b7c [redacted] Mr. STEWART informed the writer that he was not addicted to or a casual indulger of any form of alcoholic beverages and was not under such influence at the time of the sighting. He further advised that he wore glasses only for purposes of reading and that the only obstruction to his observation of the above described aircraft was the windshield of his automobile when first sighted; however, when he emerged from the automobile he was able to observe the aircraft without any trouble.

STEWART contended that the above incident had a singular effect upon his automobile in that it killed the motor and apparently magnetized its wiring. He also stated that the above incident had resulted in the paint on his car cracking.

AGENT'S NOTE: An inspection of STEWART's automobile revealed that it had been recently painted.

It was ascertained from STEWART that his hobbies were the collection and handling of weapons, American History, and that his avocation was politics. He stated that he had been active in the political candidacy of a senatorial contestant of the State of Maryland and was currently leader of the political club supporting the above mentioned candidate in his ward. He advised that on the night of the above incident he had been engaged in distributing campaign literature with reference to the above campaigning in Glenn Burnie, Maryland, and was returning to Baltimore when he observed the aircraft. During the course of the above interview STEWART appeared calm and answered all questions without hesitation and when subjected to requestioning, did not change his statements in any particular.

AT BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

8. Mr. LOUIS GITEOS, [redacted], was interviewed on 10 May 1952, and stated that he has known STEWART all his life and has found no fault with him. GITEOS advised that STEWART comes from a good family and he would recommend him for a position of trust. GITEOS stated that he does not believe STEWART has ever been in trouble with the police. b7c

9. Miss MARY HOOVER, [redacted], was interviewed on 10 May 1952 and stated that STEWART "shoots a lot of bull", usually bragging about himself and his accomplishments. Outside of talking too much, HOOVER believes that STEWART is honest, makes a good impression, does not drink, a good worker, and loyal to the government. She would recommend STEWART for a position of trust, but stated that she did not believe he could keep a secret. b7c

10. Mrs. LOUIS GITEOS, [redacted], was interviewed on 10 May 1952 and stated that STEWART talks too much and likes to exaggerate. Other than that, Mrs. GITEOS would recommend STEWART for a position of trust. She considers him honest, loyal, and a good boy. b7c

11. Mr. RAYMOND FOX, Project Engineer, Engineering Department, Radioactive Detection Division, Westinghouse Electric Corporation, Baltimore, Maryland, was interviewed at the Maryland Yacht Club on 10 May 1952, and advised that during the latter part of April 1952 he examined the automobile described in the above paragraph with a geiger counter and could detect no radioactive reaction. He also stated that he examined the engine and all working parts of the automobile and was unable to detect any unusual defects or characteristics. He stated that the automobile had been repainted and that he was inclined to disbelieve the incident as it was related to him.

AT FERNDALE, MARYLAND

12. On 10 May 1952 Officer J. L. GAVIN, Anne Arundel County Police Department, Ritchie Highway Sub-Station, advised that the only report relative to instant investigation that he was aware of as being received by the department was purported to have been an observation during the latter part of March by the bridge keeper, Curtis Bay Bridge, Curtis Bay, Maryland. Officer GAVIN volunteered that the proximity of that area to the Aberdeen Proving Grounds resulted in frequent noises of explosions

and that the police department had many calls of inquiry but that they all, with the above exception, were reports of noise and not of the sighting of any such aircraft. Officer GAVIN stated that in his opinion it was highly unlikely that an automobile could stop for a period of three (3) minutes on a Saturday night, as during the time of the alleged incident, without several other vehicles passing by. He gave as his reasons that Ritchie Highway was an arterial highway for several outlying districts of Baltimore as well as being a portion of the north-south route from Baltimore to the Potomac Bridge, and that traffic was usually frequent at all times, and especially so during that part of the evening on weekends.

AT GIBSON ISLAND, MARYLAND

13. ULIUS LOUIS AMOSS, Colonel, USA, Retired, residing at [redacted] was interviewed on 11 May 1952 with reference to his knowledge of above alleged sighting of an unconventional aircraft. He stated in substance that his knowledge was third-hand and therefore he was not in a position to give detailed information. He advised that he was informed of the above incident by CORBIN who, in addition to the information set forth above, had told him that a GEORGE MASON and his son, JOHN MASON, purported to reside on [redacted] also had information with reference to instant incident. b7C

AMOSS stated that the residents of [redacted] frequently heard noises in the night, reported like that produced by a large formation of conventional aircraft. Col. AMOSS described this noise as of a magnitude and intensity similar to a major bombing group of at least one hundred (100) planes. He advised that Mr. and Mrs. NELSON STINCHCOMB (whom he previously reported as STRIEKCIRUT), and Judge and Mrs. HENDERSON, Sr., and Mrs. SALLY HENDERSON SYMINGTON had all reported loud noises of the above type on the night of Saturday, 19 April 1952, and that he had included this information in his letter to General ACKERMAN only as miscellaneous data. He related that the noises occurred nightly but were particularly intense on Thursday nights. b7C

Col. AMOSS informed the writer that he had attempted to locate GEORGE and JOHN MASON but had been unable to contact them. He stated that there was no street designated [redacted] and that the nearest approximation of that name was [redacted] He further stated that there was only one residence on [redacted] and that residence was presently occupied by a Mr. GEORGE REA, whom he was unable to contact. b7C

14. Attempts by the writer to interview individuals named in the preceding paragraph met with negative results.

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AT GLEN BURNIE, MARYLAND

15. Mr. ROBERT MEADOWS, Proprietor of a Shell Service Station, located at 1501 Ritchie Highway, approximately three hundred (300) yards north of the intersection of Ritchie Highway and U. S. Route #301, was interviewed on 11 May 1952, and advised that to the best of his recollection he had been on duty in the station on the night the above incident was said to have occurred, and that to his knowledge no such incident took place. MEADOWS related that had the aircraft traveled in the direction as alleged, he would surely have observed it; or if he had not been on duty that night, he would surely have been informed of the incident by the man who had been on duty at the time. MEADOWS informed the writer that it was highly unlikely in his opinion that any three (3) minute period could elapse without the passage of several automobiles at the time the above incident was alleged to have occurred.

16. Mr. WILLIAM ROBLECKE, Jr., employee of Howard Johnson Restaurant, located at the intersection of Ritchie Highway and U. S. Route #301, was interviewed on 11 May 1952 and advised that he had no knowledge of the above incident.

AT CURTIS BAY, MARYLAND

17. Mr. MAHLEN HOLLINS, Drawbridge Operator, Curtis Bay Bridge, was interviewed on 11 May 1952 and advised that he is the regular drawbridge operator on the Curtis Bay Bridge on the 1600 hours to 2400 hours shift. HOLLINS stated he was on duty the evening of the 29th of March 1952 and that he had not observed, nor ever observed, any unconventional aircraft. HOLLINS further advised that he did not make a report to the Anne Arundale Police Department of such an incident.

AT BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

18. On 11 May 1952 Mr. GEORGE S. TYLER III, aged sixteen (16), [redacted] was interviewed at 1030 hours and repeated the same story as he related to CORBIN. One variance in the story was that the car engine did not stop until after STEWART and TYLER had gotten out. b7c

19. GEORGE S. TYLER, Jr., father of GEORGE S. TYLER III, was interviewed on 11 May 1952 and stated that [redacted] he believes the story is made up. TYLER stated STEWART is a peculiar person, and he has known him for several years. TYLER thinks STEWART made it up to get his name in the papers. TYLER also stated that Ritchie Highway is very crowded and more than one person would have seen it. Mr. TYLER thinks that if his son had seen it he would have discussed it with him or some other member of the family, but he did not do so. b7c

20. On 11 May 1952 LOUIS F. TYLER, uncle of TYLER III, [redacted] was interviewed and stated that he does not believe his nephew's story. He stated that TYLER III can dream up fantastic stories at times. He believes it is a hoax and thinks his nephew was talked into telling the story. b7C

21. At approximately 1215 hours, 11 May 1952, GEORGE S. TYLER III was reinterviewed in the presence of his father and mother, at which time TYLER stated that STEWART had seen the "saucer" prior to the time of meeting him and that all the information which he had given was information that STEWART told him. TYLER advised that he did not see a thing and had reported the description of the aircraft as STEWART had told him. He stated that STEWART had told the sighting of the aircraft to him as they returned from Glenn Burnie, Maryland, to Baltimore, and asked him (TYLER) to affirm the report because he feared that no one would believe his story. TYLER advised that he called the newspapers, the Sun and the Post, to find out if anyone else had reported the incident, and was informed that several reports had been received. TYLER further stated that at first he believed the story STEWART had told him; however, he now believes that STEWART made it all up. TYLER averred that he had been in Glenn Burnie visiting friends and was waiting at a bus stop to return to Baltimore on the night of 29 March 1952, when he met STEWART who had been in Glenn Burnie posting campaign posters; that STEWART had offerred to give him a ride back to Baltimore and he had accepted; that it was on the trip back to Baltimore that STEWART had related to him the sighting of the strange aircraft earlier in the evening.

TYLER stated that they left Glenn Burnie at approximately 2230 hours and had driven to Baltimore without incident; that they had made no stops along the road; [redacted] b7C

22. STEWART was reinterviewed at approximately 1315 hours, 11 May 1952, and stated that TYLER was with him and had witnessed the incident. STEWART denied emphatically any falsehood in the story and stated that the whole thing was the absolute truth.

23. On 12 May 1952 Special Agent OLIVER R. WEATHERHOLT interviewed Mr. HAROLD B. ISENHOCK at the Griebel Motor Company, Light and Henrietta streets, Baltimore, Maryland. Mr. ISENHOCK stated that work was performed on STEWART's car on 8 May; that the work performed was adjustment of brakes, installation of clutch, adjust generator, repairing or taping the wires leading from the generator, change oil, and lubrication. He stated that the car needed only routine repairs and there was no indication of any unusual repairs.

Mr. ISENHOCK advised that STEWART had traded at the garage regularly [redacted] Review of the b7C

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records at the garage reflected that the car had been serviced on 23 April, 8 December, 18 December 1951; and 31 January, 20 March, and 8 May 1952. The records reflected that the car had been brought in for routine check-ups and repairs. There was no indication in the records that the car had been repainted. Mr. ISENHOCK stated that the car was still the same green color; however, he could not state as to whether it had been recently repainted. He did state he knew the car had not been repainted at his garage.

24. On 12 May 1952 records checks at the Baltimore City Police Department, Baltimore County Police, and Maryland State Police reflected no records of STEWART.

INCLOSURES

FOR HEADQUARTERS OSI

1. Photostatic reproduction of information obtained from STEWART by CORBIN (with sketch).

2. Photostatic reproduction of information obtained from TYLER by CORBIN.

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SECURITY INFORMATION - ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

[redacted] [redacted]

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[illegible]

[illegible] Ritchie Highway [illegible]

[illegible] 10:15 P.M. [illegible] Clear [illegible] MOON and STARS OUT

APPROXIMATE [illegible]

[illegible] 1200 FEET

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DESCRIPTION OF OBJECT

At approximately 10:15 P.M. on Saturday, March 29, 1952, near the harness track on Ritchie Highway, the above in company with a Mr. George Tyler of [redacted] in Baltimore, witnessed the following:

[illegible] A loud [illegible] attracted attention. Upon investigation, while traveling [illegible] (Baltimore), a strange object was proceeding in the sky in an approximate north-south direction. It appeared to be moving very slowly (considerably slower than a commercial airliner). [illegible]

[illegible] at least as large as a two motored transport plane. [illegible] chimney and over the automobile. After [illegible]

[illegible] like a rocket.

[illegible]

suddenly [illegible] conversation [illegible] travel [illegible] occupants [illegible] spoken to Griebel [illegible] motors on [illegible] car [illegible] friend [illegible]

[redacted] [illegible] going being magnetized. [redacted] [illegible] aviation jet mechanic during the war. [redacted] is not sufficiently familiar with the technical situation to recall his exact explanation.

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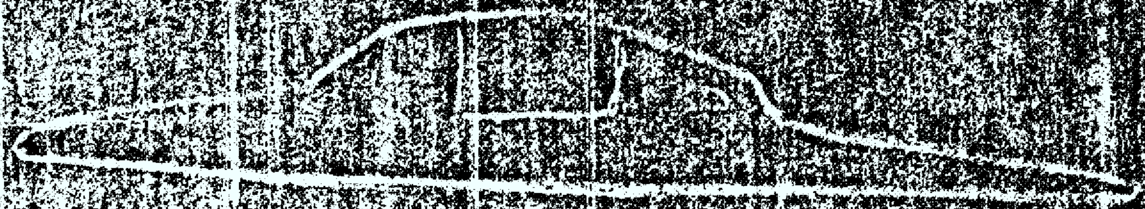
A check with the Glenn Burnie Police of this date April 24th, indicated that several times during this year the Headquarters at Glenn Burnie Police were notified concerning a curious object in the sky. The Police have always considered the source of such objects as being Aberdeen Proving Grounds. In all events the Police have not conducted a detailed investigation as a result of any such call to their headquarters.

General summary of investigation by K.P.

Several checks of the automobile apparently indicated a negative reaction.....safe to conclude that something was observed in the sky. A thorough examination of the witness suggests that it's unlikely he could have made up a story. His reported observations are aero-dynamically possible and fall into a logical sequence. Impossible at the moment to identify object or its origin.....[illegible]: Possibly "ours".



[illegible] flash –

[illegible] white flashes [illegible]

[illegible] around the [illegible]

TELEPHONE NO.: [redacted] [illegible]

EMPLOYMENT: Southern High School [illegible]

DATE OF OBSERVATION: March [illegible] PLACE: Ritchie Highway [illegible]

TIME OF OBSERVATION: 10:45 P.M. ; WEATHER: Clear [illegible]

APPROXIMATE LENGTH OF OBSERVATION: A minute or so!

ESTIMATED ALTITUDE: Maybe a hundred feet or so

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DESCRIPTION OF INCIDENT:

THIS WAS A TELEPHONE INTERVIEW -- THE YOUNG MAN WAS REQUIRED TO REMAIN AT HOME TO WATCH HIS SISTER. HE WAS UNABLE TO COME TO STUDIO AS PLANNED EARLIER

Attention was first attracted while driving north along Ritchie Highway toward Baltimore. In company with [redacted] a friend, a slowly-moving object was observed just ahead of the automobile. It was approximately 10:45 P.M. The engine in the car seemed to die and car drifted to a stop, the driver pulling slightly off the road. The object was approximately over the car and had no forward motion. It seemed to be tilted slightly and was giving off a yellowish-greenish light which faded and then grew intense and then faded again. The outer edges of this object which seemed to be round, with a thickness toward the center, seemed to have what Mr. Tyler described as [illegible]. He said that he could not say for sure whether he had observed anything that looked like a port hole. He stated he wasn't sure either whether there was another car in the exact location, but there might [illegible] reported [illegible]

[illegible] in the object [illegible], the [illegible] Sunday evening [illegible] allowed to go out [illegible] PERSONAL OBSERVATION [illegible] [redacted] [illegible] [redacted] [illegible] of the LaCross [illegible] least over the phone, to be fairly [illegible]. He stated that [redacted] was in his opinion [illegible] more [illegible].

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[illegible] several other thoughts [illegible] to him during the conversation. Some of them [illegible] the object when it departed increased in altitude and then [illegible] greater than anything he had ever [illegible] that its highest altitude was still considerably lower than [illegible] planes he has seen over his home. As it was increasing in height just prior to leaving he thought he could [illegible] a highly polished surface which [illegible]. As it sped away it [illegible] a yellowish-greenish exhaust. All the time it was hovering, he [illegible] the object was wavering slightly.

[illegible] story... [illegible] this doesn't [illegible] sense, but I'll swear the engine in that car started up on its own. To h[illegible] [illegible]. He admits [illegible] that it [illegible] sense. [illegible] story [illegible].

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Mr. [illegible]man
Miss Gandy

FBI LOUISVILLE 5-26-52 12-37 PM CDST MRP

DIRECTOR, FBI DEFERRED

RE FLYING SAUCERS, INFORMATION CONCERNING. THREE WOMEN SAW ASTRANGE OBJECTS FLOATING IN SKY OVER ASHLAND , KY. AT EIGHT FIFTY PM, EST, MAY TWENTY FIVE LAST FOR TWO OR THREE MINUTES. OBJECTS DESCRIBED AS LOOKING LIKE LARGE OYSTERS WITH FISHTAILS FLOATING LOW LIKE A CLOUD. THEY WERE OVAL IN SHAPE AND ACCORDING TO OBSERVERS COULD HAVE BEEN BALLOONS. THEY CAME IN OVER ASHLAND FROM THE NORTH, CIRCLED AND WENT BACK IN THE OPPOSITE DIRECTION. ABOVE INFORMATION FOR BUREAU. NO ACTION HERE.

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Date: May 15, 1952

To: Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: FLYING DISKS REPORTEDLY SEEN
IN VICINITY OF SAVANNAH RIVER PLANT
ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION

The Savannah Office of this Bureau has been informed that at approximately 10:45 p.m., May 10, 1952, four employees of the DuPont Company employed in the Savannah River Plant near Ellenton, South Carolina, saw four disk shaped objects approaching "the four hundred area" from the south which disappeared in a northerly direction. At approximately 11:05 p.m. on the same date the above-mentioned employees saw two similar objects approach from the south and disappear in a northerly direction. At approximately 11:10 p.m. a similar object was seen by these employees approaching from the northeast and disappearing in a southwesterly direction. A similar object was also sighted about 11:15 pm traveling from south to north by the same employees.

The disks were described by the above-mentioned employees as being approximately fifteen inches in diameter and yellow to gold in color. All of the objects were allegedly traveling at a high rate of speed and at a high altitude without any noise. The disk shaped objects referred to above which approached "the four hundred area" from a northeasterly direction was reportedly traveling at such a low altitude it had to rise to pass over some tall tanks which are in "the four hundred area." The employees referred to above advised the objects were weaving from left to right but seemed to hold a general course. According to these persons because of the speed at which the objects were traveling they were only visible for a few seconds.

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The above data, which was previously furnished to your office through this Bureau's liaison representative, is being furnished for your information and any action you desire to take in this matter. No investigation is being conducted by this Bureau.

cc - Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2
Department of the Army
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

Attention: Chief, Intelligence Division

cc - Director of Naval Intelligence
Department of the Navy
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

cc - Captain John A. Waters
Director of Security
Atomic Energy Commission
Room 805B
333 Third Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

BY SPECIAL MESSENGER

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Miss Gandy

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FBI, SAVANNAH 5-12-52 7-58 PM

DIRECTOR, FBI URGENT

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SAVANNAH RIVER PLANT, ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION, FLYING DISC. AT APPROXIMATELY TEN FORTYFIVE PM, MAY TEN LAST FOUR EMPLOYEES OF DUPONT CO., EMPLOYED ON SAVANNAH RIVER PLANT NEAR ELLENTION, S. C., SAW FOUR DISC SHAPED OBJECTS APPROACHING THE FOUR HUNDRED AREA FROM THE SOUTH, DISAPPEARING IN NORTHERNLY DIRECTION. AT APPROXIMATELY ELEVEN FIVE PM, ABOVE MENTIONED EMPLOYEES SAW TWO SIMILAR OBJECTS APPROACH FROM SOUTH AND DISAPPEAR IN NORTHERNLY DIRECTION. AT APPROXIMATELY ELEVEN TEN PM ONE SIMILAR OBJECT APPROACHED FROM THE NORTHEAST AND DISAPPEARED IN SOUTHWESTERNLY DIRECTION. ONE MORE OBJECT SIGHTED ABOUT ELEVEN FIFTEEN PM TRAVELLING FROM SOUTH TO NORTH. EMPLOYEES DESCRIBED OBJECTS AS BEING ABOUT FIFTEEN INCHES IN DIAMETER, HAVING YELLOW TO GOLD COLOR. ALL OF THESE OBJECTS WERE TRAVELLING AT HIGH RATE OF SPEED AT HIGH ALTITUTE WITHOUT ANY NOISE. EIGHTH OBJECT WHICH APPROACHED THE FOUR HUNDRED AREA FROM NE WAS TRAVELLING AT ALTITUDE SO LOW IT HAD TO RISE TO PASS OVER SOME TALL TANKS IN FOUR HUNDRED AREA. THIS OBJECT WAS ALSO FLYING AT HIGH RATE OF SPEED AND WA NOISELESS. WITNESSES STATED OBSERVED OBJECTS WEAVING FROM LEFT TO RI

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BUT SEEMED TO HOLD GENERAL COURSE. ALSO STATED DUE TO SPEED AND ALTITUDE THEY WERE ONLY VISIBLE FOR FEW SECONDS. SAVANNAH OFFICE IS NOT ACTIVELY CONDUCTING INVESTIGATION IN THIS MATTER AND IS FURNISHING THIS INFO TO BUREAU FOR WHATEVER ACTION THEY DEEM ADVISABLE.

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May 13, 1952

Mr. [redacted]
Black Mountain, North Carolina

Dear Mr. [redacted]

Your letter dated May 7, 1952, has been received and I appreciate the interest prompting you to bring your observations to my attention.

Since the matter you mention may be of interest to another governmental agency, I am referring a copy of your letter to The Honorable, The Secretary of Defense, The Pentagon, Washington, D. C., and you may wish to write him directly in this connection.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Black Mountain, N.C
May 7, 1952

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
c/o U. S. Dept. of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

The motive of this letter is a sincere effort to help avoid useless waste of life, time and money. It is written with full respect to your pressing work, and to the ability of this country's scientific experts.

Although your responsibilities may not be directly connected with the intended text of this letter, I sincerely hope that you will consider the possibilities, and forward the suggestions to the proper authorities concerned.

For the past five years the general public has read, and ballyhoed newspaper articles related to the "Flying Saucers", and following the same trend of thought have ignored recent reports made by persons of undisputed experience and intelligence.

The possibilities of this earth being visited by ships from outer space have been lightly suggested by some, while others believe the "objects" belong to some nation on this earth. Granted that some such objects do even belong to this country, it is obvious that we, nor any other nation possess and fail to use, in time of war, such useful means as have been reported by the balloon experts connected with General Mills, Inc.

I am sure that these suggestions will bear scientific investigation and that they are entirely probable. Similar to Columbus and the egg - they may not have been given due consideration.

These "objects of undetermined origin" (not to be confused with our controlled weather balloons, etc.) are in all probability operated by the absorption, compression, and controlled emission of the sun's energy (basically electricity). As such, they probably carry a potential charge which is past our imagination. An earthly object approaching too close to the O.U.O. would have the same effect as grounding a high-tension wire, with the total destruction of both objects as a likely result.

Assuming that some of these objects are from outer space, we would certainly benefit considerably by establishing contact with them, where as, if such a nation as Russia should acquire this knowledge before us we would certainly suffer as a result

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Whatever means [illegible]wer these objects posse[illegible] they may attain speeds far in excess of our latest rockets. It will be futile to give pursuit, or to attempt any forceful approach.

From reports, we have no reason to believe these objects have anything but friendly intentions, also, they may be restricted as to the distance they may approach the earth without danger. It is also my belief that given an opportunity, they will approach an earthly object, at high altitude, as close as possible without danger to either themselves or the object.

If my theory approaches the truth, then these strange objects will be unable to establish contact with the earth without our assistance.

Taking the earth at an age of two billion years, having suffered worldly catastrophies, and set-backs, we may be as children compared to a planet of four billion years, or of equal age without catastrophies.

Our scientific laws have worked well for us, however, they probably do not hold true for all planets. Lacking water and trees in the beginning we would have been an entirely different world, perhaps even further advanced.

My background includes a good foundation in high-altitude flying, and in the field of electricity. Although I am well established in business, it is my desire toenter the field of research related to this subject.

My name is not for publication.

Very truly yours,

[redacted]

Date: May 7, 1952

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To: Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: [redacted]

On May 5, 1952, [redacted] called at this Bureau and advised that he is General Manager of [redacted] [redacted], [redacted], [redacted] Netherlands. He resides at [redacted], [redacted] He is residing at the Victoria Hotel, New York City, until May 16, 1952, when he will return to Europe.

Mr. [redacted] advised that he has a considerable interest in electronics and has been very much interested in reports circulated during the past year or two concerning the existence of flying saucers. He feels that there have been enough uncontradicted reports concerning such devices to indicate that they may exist in fact. He is also of the opinion that if they do exist they can be produced only by the United States or Russia or perhaps by the Republic of Argentina.

Mr. [redacted] indicated that he has given extensive thought to the manner in which these devices could be operated. He has concluded that since the disk shape is not suitable for conventional aircraft it would be used only because it would provide the greatest possible lifting surface. It is his opinion, therefore, that one of these devices could be operated only by reducing the air pressure above it which would cause it to rise in the air. He concedes that conventional machinery to cause such a reduction of pressure would be so bulky that its weight would prevent the device from leaving the ground. He concludes, therefore,

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that power to accomplish this end would have to be derived from the cracking of an atomic fuel such as heavy water.

In that connection he states that the ionosphere surrounding the earth radiates positive ions toward the earth's surface. Many of these are dissipated by combining with particles in the atmosphere with the result that positive ions are more concentrated near the earth's surface than higher above it. He reasons that a disk could be raised in the air by emitting a great quantity of negative ions through its upper surface and causing a decrease in pressure which would result in the pressure underneath the disk forcing it upward. He indicates that somewhere between the surface of the earth and the ionosphere this pressure would equalize at which point the disk could go no higher. It could then be moved horizontally by emitting negative ions in the direction in which it is desired to move.

Mr. [redacted] stated that he did not feel such a device could be remote controlled since it would probably not be possible to maintain radio contact with it. He feels, however, that the occupants of such a device would be fully protected since according to the electrical theory demonstrated by Faraday's Cage the current involved in the propulsion of such a device would concentrate itself around the edges of the disk.

The foregoing is furnished for your information.

(NOTE ON YELLOW: [redacted] was interviewed at 2:15 p.m. 5-5-52, by Supervisor [redacted] by reference from Mr. Nichols' Office. Bureau files contain no data identifiable with him.)

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : [redacted]

DATE: April 17, 1952

FROM : [redacted]

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS

For record purposes, it is desired to point out that the April 7, 1952, issue of "Life" magazine contains an article on page 80 entitled, "Have We Visitors From Space?" written by H. B. Darrach, Jr., and Robert Ginna relating to the captioned matter. For further reference purposes, a copy of this issue of "Life" magazine is maintained in the Bureau Library.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI DATE: 4-3-52

FROM : SAC, Memphis (62-0)

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT; Flying Objects,
Nashville, Tennessee
INFORMATION CONCERNING

O FLYING DISCS

Lt. Commander [redacted] U. S. Navy, temporarily residing at [redacted], Nashville, Tennessee, advised SAA [redacted] of the Nashville Resident Agency on March 14, 1952, at approximately 2:15 p.m. of the following incident.

Mr. [redacted] stated that approximately 10:20 p.m. on March 13, 1952, while standing in the back yard of 1900 Graybar Lane and looking toward the moon, which was then in the southwest section of the sky, he observed an object which appeared approximately 20 degrees above the horizon. Lt. [redacted] described this object as being circular in shape, approximately one-half the size of the moon, deep bright blue in color, very vivid blue. He stated the object had a slight reddish fringe on the aft end. The object appeared to be moving from the northwest to the southeast. He stated that the object was not in his vision more than three seconds. It made no sound. Lt. [redacted] stated that at the time he observed this, there were no clouds in the sky, the stars were out, and the moon was full. Lt. [redacted] stated that the only way he could describe it was that it appeared to be a very high powered spotlight on a cloud, but he did not believe this could have been the cause of that which he had seen because he had not seen any spotlight or any strong search lights there during the evening.

The above is being furnished for your information, and no action is contemplated by this office unless advised to the contrary.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (62-83894)   DATE: March 21, 1952

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (100-18999)

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS
[redacted]; INFORMANT

Mr. [redacted], an artist living at [redacted] Chicago, Illinois ([redacted]) advised SA [redacted] on March 11, 1952 that he saw a flying disc at 9:00 AM on March 6, 1952.

[redacted] stated that he was looking out of a window at his home which window faces south, when he saw a flying disc at approximately 7,000 feet above Fullerton Avenue. The angle of elevation of the disc above the horizon was about 45 degrees. The disc came out of a cloud in the east, stopped and hung motionless in mid-air for a split second, then flew due south at great speed.

He described the disc as approximately six feet in diameter, circular, white in color with a bluish tinge. The disc, he said, appeared to have been constructed out of a metal similar to aluminum. He also stated that he saw no exhaust, lights, or heard no sound connected with its movements. He noted nothing on it as to how it could maintain its even flight and believed it to have been radio controlled. He said it disappeared out of sight in approximately three seconds, estimating the speed at 600-700 miles per hour or more. He said it went so fast it appeared to flutter. When the disc disappeared from sight it was about the size of a golf ball on the southern horizon.

[redacted] made a sketch of the disc and the sketch and the above information were furnished to the local office of the Office of Special Investigations.

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On 10 Septembe 1951 as AN/MPG-1 radar set picked up a fast moving low flying target (ct alt undetermined) at approx tely 1110 hours SE of Fort Monmouth at a range of about 12,000 yards. The target appeared to ap imately follow the coast line changing its range only slightly but changing its azimuth rapidly. The radar set was switched to full aided azimuth tracking which normally is fast enough to track jet acft, but in this case was too slow to be resorted to. The target was lost in the NE at a range of about 14,000 yards. This target also presented an unusually strong return for an acft being comparable in strength to that usually received from a coastal ship. The operator initially identified the target as a ship and then realized that it could not be a ship after he observed its extreme speed.

On 10 September 1951, 1515 hours, an SCR 584, serial no. 433 tracked a target which moved about slowly in azimuth N of Fort Monmouth at a range of about 32,000 yds at the extremely unusual elevation angle of 1350 mils. (Altitude approximately 93,000 ft)

On 11 September 1951, 1050 hours, 2 SCR 584 serial nos. 217 and 315 picked up the same target NE of Fort Monmouth at an elevation angle of 350 to 300 mils at a range of approximately 30,000 yards. (Approximate altitude 31,000 ft) the sets track automatically in azimuth and elevation and with aided range tracking are capable of tracking targets up to a speed of 700 mph. In this case however, both sets found it impossible to track the target in range due to its speed and the operators had to resort to manual range tracking in order to hold the target. The target was tracked in this manner to the maximum tracking range of32,000 yards. The operators judged the target to be moving at a speed several hundred miles per hour higher than the maximum aided tracking ability of the radar sets. This target provided an extremely strong echo at times even though it was at maximum range, however the echo signal occasionally fell off to a level below normal return. These changes coincided with maneuvers of the target.

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On 11 September 1951 at about 130 a target was picked up on an SCR 584 radar set serial no. 315 that displayed unusual maneuverability. The target was approx. over Navesink NJ as indicated by its 10,000 yard range, 6000 ft altitude and due N azimuth. The target remained practically stationary on the scope and appeared to be hovering. The operators looked out of the van in an attempt to see the target since it was at such a short range, however overcase conditions prevented such observation. Returning to their positions the target was observed to be changing its elevation at an extremely rapid rate, the change in range was so small the operators believed the target must have risen nearly vertically. The target ceased its rise in elevation at an elevation angle of approx 1500 mils at which time it proceeded to move at an extremely rapid rate in range in a southerly direction once again the speed on the target exceeding the aided tracking ability of the SCR 584 so that manual tracking became necessary. The radar tracked the target to the maximum range of 32,000 yards at which time the target was at an elevation angle of 300 mils. The operators did not attempt to judge the speed in excess of the aided tracking rate of 700 mph.

Flying Saucers

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Mr. Alden
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Mr. [illegible]

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RECTOR Flying Saucers. Flying Saucers.

CONVENTIONAL AIRCRAFT OBSERVED SEPTEMBER TEN AND ELEVEN, FIFTY
NE IN VICINITY FT. MONMOUTH, NJ. INDIC. ON SEPTEMBER TWENTY IN-
TANT, ANDREW J. REID, G-TWO FT. MONMOUTH, NJ, PROVIDED FOLLOWING RE-
ORT OF UNCONVENTIONAL AIRCRAFT OBSERVED BY RADAR AT ABOVE ARMY
NSTALLATION. QUOTE ON SEPT. TEN, FIFTYONE, AN AN/MPG DASH ONE RADAR
SET PICKED UP A FAST MOVING LOW FLYING TARGET, EXACT ALTITUDE UNDETER-
MINED AT APPROXIMATELY ELEVEN TEN A.M., SOUTHEAST OF FT. MONMOUTH
AT A RANGE OF ABOUT TWELVE THOUSAND YARDS. THE TARGET APPEARED TO
APPROXIMATELY FOLLOW THE COAST LINE, CHANGING ITS RANGE ONLY SLIGHTLY
BUT CHANGING ITS AZIMUTH RAPIDLY. THE RADAR SET WAS SWITCHED TO FULL
AIDED AZIMUTH TRACKING WHICH NORMALLY IS FAST ENOUGH TO TRACK JET AIR-
CRAFT, BUT IN THIS CASE WAS TOO SLOW TO BE RESORTED TO. TARGET WAS
LOST IN THE N.E. AT A RANGE OF ABOUT FOURTEEN THOUSAND YARDS. THIS
TARGET ALSO PRESENTED AN UNUSUALLY STRONG RETURN FOR AIRCRAFT BEING
COMPARABLE IN STRENGTH TO THAT USUALLY RECEIVED FROM A COASTAL SHIP.
THE OPERATOR INITIALLY IDENTIFIED TARGET AS A SHIP AND THEN REALIZED
THAT IT COULD NOT BE A SHIP AFTER HE OBSERVED ITS EXTREME SPEED.
SEPTEMBER TEN, FIFTYONE, AN SCR FIVE EIGHT FOUR RADAR SET AT THREE
FIFTEEN PM TRACKING A TARGET WHICH MOVED ABOUT SLOWLY IN AZIMUTH NORTH
OF FT. MONMOUTH AT A RANGE OF ABOUT FORTYTWO THOUSAND YARDS AT THE
EXTREMELY UNUSUAL ELEVATION ANGLE OF THIRTEEN HUNDRED FIFTY MILS,
APPROXIMATELY NINETYTHREE THOUSAND ALTITUDE. 3 ON SEPTEMBER ELEVEN,
FIFTYONE, TWO SCR FIVE EIGHT FOUR RADAR SETS AT TEN FIFTY A.M. PICKED
UP THE SAME TARGET NORTHEAST OF FT. MONMOUTH AT AN ELEVATION ANGLE,

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OF THREE HUNDRED FIFTY TO THREE HUNDRED MILS AT A RANGE OF APPROXIMATELY THIRTY THOUSAND YARDS, APPROXIMATE ALTITUDE THIRTYONE THOUSAND FEET. THE SET TRACK AUTOMATICALLY IS AZIMUTH AND ELEVATION AND WAS AIDED RANGE TRACKING AND CAPABLE OF TRACKING TARGETS UP TO A SPEED OF SEVEN HUNDRED MPH. IN THIS CASE, HOWEVER, BOTH SETS FOUND IT IMPOSSIBLE TO TRACK THE TARGET IN RANGE DUE TO ITS SPEED AND THE OPERATORS HAD TO RESORT TO MANUAL RANGE TRACKING IN ORDER TO HOLD THE TARGET. THE TARGET WAS TRACKED IN THIS MANNER TO THE MAXIMUM TRACKING RANGE OF THIRTYTWO THOUSAND YARDS. THE OPERATOR SAID THE TARGET TO BE MOVING AT A SPEED SEVERAL HUNDRED MPH HIGHER THAN THE MAXIMUM AIDED TRACKING ABILITY OF THE RADAR SETS. THIS TARGET PROVIDED AN EXTREMELY STRONG RETURN ECHO AT TIMES EVEN THOUGH IT WAS THE MAXIMUM RANGE, HOWEVER, ECHO SIGNAL OCCASIONALLY FELL OFF TO A LEVEL BELOW NORMAL RETURN. THESE CHANGES COINCIDED WITH MANEUVERS OF THE TARGET. ON SEPTEMBER ELEVEN, FIFTYONE AT ABOUT ONE THIRTY P.M. THE TARGET WAS PICKED UP ON AN SCR FIVE EIGHT FOUR RADAR SET THAT DISPLAYED UNUSUAL MANEUVERABILITY. TARGET WAS APPROXIMATELY OVER NAVESINK, NJ., AS INDICATED BY HIS TEN THOUSAND RANGE, SIX THOUSAND FEET ALTITUDE AND DUE NORTH AZIMUTH. THE TARGET REMAINED PRACTICALLY STATIONARY ON THE SCHOPE AND APPEARED TO BE HOVERING. THE OPERATOR LOOKED OUT OF THE VAN PAREND THE VEHICLE HOUSING THE RADAR SETA PAREND IN AN ATTEMPT TO SEE THE TARGET, SINCE IT WAS AT SUCH A SHORT RANGE, HOWEVER, OVERCAST CONDITIONS PREVENTED SUCH OBSERVATION. RETURNING TO THEIR OPERATING POSITION THE TARGET WAS OBSERVED TO BE CHANGING IN ELEVATION AT AN EXTREMELY RAPID RATE, BUT CHANGE IN RANGE WAS SO SLOW THE OPER-

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ATOR BELIEVED THE TARGET MUST HAVE RISEN NEARLY VERTICALLY. TARGET FIXED ITS RISE IN ELEVATION AT AN ELEVATION ANGLE OF APPROX. FIFTEEN HUNDRED MILS, AT WHICH TIME IT PROCEEDED TO MOVE AT AN EXTREMELY RAPID RATE IN RANGE IN A SOUTHERLY DIRECTION. ONCE AGAIN THE SPEED OF THE TARGET EXCEEDED THE AIDED TRACKING ABILITY OF THE SCR FIVE EIGHT FOUR SET SO THAT MANUAL TRACKING BECAME NECESSARY. RADAR TRACKED THE TARGET MAXIMUM RANGE OF THIRTYTWO THOUSAND YARDS AT WHICH TIME TARGET WAS AT AN ELEVATION ANGLE THREE HUNDRED MILS. THE OPERATOR DID NOT ATTEMPT TO JUDGE THE SPEED IN EXCESS OF THE AIDED TRACKING RATE OF SEVE HUNDRED MPH. THE WEATHER WAS FAIR WHEN THE OBSERVATION WAS MADE SEPTEMBER TENTH AND CLOUDY FOR THE SEPTEMBER ELEVENTH REPORT. UNQUOTE. ABOWVE INCIDENT OBSERVED BY THREE WITNESSES WITH EXCEPTION OF FIRST INCIDENT ON SEPTEMBER TEN. ABOVE INFO FURNISHED BY REID AFTER APPROVAL OF G-TWO, GOVERNORS ISLAND, NY, WITH REQUEST THAT INFO BE COORDINATED WITH AIR FORCE. REID ALSO ADVISED IN CONFIDENCE THAT ABOVE REPORT RECEIVED BY HIM AFTER CONSIDERABLE UNACCOUNTABLE DELAY.

MC KEE

cc Mr Belmont

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February 23, 1951

[redacted]
Arkadelphia, Arkansas

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Dear [redacted]

Your letter dated February 14, 1951, has been received.

While I appreciate the concern which prompted your writing in this regard, this Bureau does not have available for distribution any material concerning so-called "flying saucers." It was thoughtful of you to bring your observations in this connection to my attention.

I am enclosing some material which I thought you might like to have.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Enclosure

List of courses of study
SA and Clerical Job Sheets
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NOTE: The only record located in Bufiles indicated that correspondent requested and received descriptive material concerning the Bureau in 1949. Data presently enclosed is not duplicated.

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Feb. 14, 1951

Mr. J. Edgar. Hoover
Washington, D.C. Flying Saucers

Dear Mr. Hoover.

Some time ago I wrote you a letter, and recieved a very nice reply. you said in your letter, if I had a question to ~~write you.~~ Well, I have one.

~~DEFERRED RECORDING~~
FEB 20 1951

It is about Flying Saucers. I have been reading a book, "The Flying Saucers Are Real" by Donald Keyhoe. He states that the Flying Saucers are from another planet. He says that the F.B.I. and "Project Saucer" has been working and trying to solve the flying saucer mystery. He says the army has discovered something important and [illegible] the [illegible] balloon to cover it up. (Please turn to page 2)

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If you can't give me some information about the flying saucers, I would appreciate it. I somehow believe that the army is trying to cover something the community story just doesn't fit.

I truly admire the F.B.I. and someday hope to become a member of this fine organization.

Thank you very much.

Yours Truly,

[redacted]

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FROM: NEAC PEPPERELL AFB NFLD

TO: CSAF WASH DC

NR: EW 0212 10 FEB 51

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FROM: NEAC PEPPERELL AFB NFLD

TO : CSAF WASH D C

NR : EW 0212 10 Feb 51 (DTG 100400)

Unidentified object seen at 0055Z 10 Feb at 49 degrees 50 min north, 50 degrees 03 min west by crew of Navy 6501, VR1, Patuxent River, MD. Originally seen as heavy light in distance on the surface as lights of city. The yellowish light, like a fire in color, approached rapidly and grew very bright and very large with a semi-circular shape. It was on a true course of about 125 degrees, plane on a true course of 225 degrees, as it approached the plane it suddenly turned about almost 180 degrees and disappeared rapidly over the horizon as a small ball. Speed "was terrific". Seen fr an angle of about 45 degrees looking down fr the plane. Crew all experienced North Atlantic fliers [redacted] b, all saw object over a period of fr seven to eight min. Plane flying at 10,000 altitude.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. [redacted]

FROM : MR. [redacted]

SUBJECT: FLYING SAUCERS

DATE: February 26, 1951

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It is recommended the attached article which appeared in Look magazine January, 1951, be filed in captioned case for information purposes.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR FBI

DATE: 2-10-51

FROM : SAC KNOXVILLE

SUBJECT: UNIDENTIFIED OBJECTS OVER OAK RIDGE AREA, PROTECTION OF VITAL INSTALLATIONS

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Re Knoxville letter dated 12-13-50.

For information of the Bureau, the below listed copies of CIC, G-2 Third Army, pertaining to captioned matter are forwarded herewith.

Report of SAC [redacted] CIC, dated 1-2-51, entitled "Object Sighted Over Oak Ridge, Tennessee."

CIC reports dated 1-20-51, entitled. "Objects Sighted Over Oak Ridge, Tennessee".

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111th CIC, FAO # 8, P. O. Box 379, Knoxville, Tennessee.

OBJECT SIGHTED OVER OAK RIDGE, TENNESSEE.

(In compliance with letter AJACI-360.33 General, dated 15 November 1950, Headquarters, Third Army. SUBJECT: Unconventional Aircraft, the following is submitted.)

A. Location and Time of Sighting:

Between 0820 and 0830 hours on 18 December 1950, on the Turnpike, within the controlled area, approximately one (1) mile from the White Wing entrance and Y-12 plant.

B. Weather at the Time:

At 0730 hours - wind from the Northeast, seven (7) miles per hour; temperature - 20 degrees F. according to the Atomic Energy Commission Meteorological Division.

C. Names, Occupations, and Addresses of Witnesses:

Dr. A. J. Miller, [redacted]
Dr. V. P. Calkins, [redacted]
Mr. J. Frank Coneybear, [redacted]
Mr. A. O. Mooneyham, [redacted]
Mr. F. T. Bly, [redacted]
Lt. Col. John R. Hood, U.S.A.F., [redacted]
Cdr. E. W. Eribar, U.S.N., [redacted]
Maj. Walter L. Carse, U.S.A.F., [redacted]
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D. Photographs of Objects, if available:

None.

E. Object Sighted:

A light amanating in the shape of a circle, of an intensity much greater that that of a bright moon, giving the impression of form in connection with the light. The light was white in appearance and did not show any signs of refraction into a band or continuous spectrum. This object was traveling in a Northwesterly direction, 15 to 30 degrees elevation above the horizon, and appeared to diminish considerable in size during thirty seconds of observatio. To another group, the object appeared only as a bright reflection of the sun from an apparently metal surface. No accurate estimate of the object's size or range could be made from the observation.

F. Any other pertinent information:

Following is quoted from the Radar Log maintained by the McGhee Tyson Air Force Radar Station:

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F. (Continued)

"0832 hours - Atomic Energy Commission reported aircraft over Northeast end of area - no paint. (Paint meaning indication on the radar scopes.)

"0839 hours - Small paint near Southeast corner of area on 190 degree. (Magnetic bearing of objects travel.)

"0845 hours - Lost contact. Fighter interception was attempted with negative results."

Attached hereto are two certified true copies of the statements made by the above mentioned observers.

Attachments - 2

STATEMENT

Following is a report of the sighting of an unidentified object in the Oak Ridge Area by the undersigned. On the morning of 18 December 1950, the following personnel were riding to their work at NEPA Division, Fairchild Engine and Airplane Corp., in the S-50 Area at Oak Ridge, Tennessee:

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[redacted] were riding in the front seat; [redacted] were in the rear.

At approximately 0827, while riding southwest on the turnpike just outside the restricted area, [redacted] sighted a very bright reflection through the windshield of the car. [redacted] who was sitting beside [redacted] and whose attention was attracted by [redacted] looking at the sky, sighted the same reflection. [redacted] then called the attention of the remaining occupants of the car to the reflection. Of these, [redacted] also sighted the reflection, but [redacted] did not sight it.

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The reflection was visible through the front windshield of the car only for a moment because, shortly thereafter, the road turned to the right. The corresponding turn of the car so placed the relative position of the reflection that it could not be seen through the left front window, which was frosted. The windshield, however, was not frosted and permitted excellent vision.

The object appeared only as the bright reflection of the sun from an apparently metal surface, much as might be expected from an aircraft at a great distance. No accurate estimate of the objects size or range could be made from the observation. It appeared to be west-southwest of Oak Ridge Townsite at an angle of elevation of about 25 degrees from the level.

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CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

WILLIAM B. GRAY, SAC, Knoxville,T

within the meaning of the Espionage Laws, Title 18 U. S. C., Sections 793 and 794. Its transmission or the revelation of its contents in any manner to an unauthorized person is prohibited by law.

December 28, 1950

SUBJECT: Visual Observation on December 19, 1950

TO:
Mr. William G. Frey
Assistant to the AF Plant
Representative for Security
Office of the AF Plant Representative
Air Material Command
NEPA Division
Fairchild Engine and Airplane Corporation
Post Office Box E
Oak Ridge, Tennessee

1. On December 18, 1950, at sometime between 0820 and 0830, the following NEPA employees were riding in a vehicle on the Turnpike within the Controlled Area toward the NEPA Project approximately one mile short of the "Y" cutoff to White Wing entrance and Y-12:

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2. The passengers, with the exception of [redacted], who did not attempt to participate in the viewing, observed a light emanating in the shape of a circle, of an intensity much greater than that of a bright moon, through the windshield of the vehicle. The viewers had the impression that there was form in connection with the light rather than merely a point source. The light was white in appearance and did not show any signs of refraction into a band or continuous spectrum. It appeared to be from 15 to 30 degrees elevated above the horizontal and on an azimuth between west and northwest, and appeared to be traveling in a northwesterly direction. The impression of its traveling is due to the fact that the object appeared to diminish considerably in size during the approximate thirty seconds during which it was viewed. The vehicle remained in motion and in following the course of the road, changed its relative position so that the object was viewed during the last few seconds from the side windows. As the vehicle proceeded down the road a near-by ridge obstructed the view of the object, and although the vehicle completed the turn toward K-25 at the "Y" intersection

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and the passengers had a relatively clear view at points along the road, the object was not viewed again. The observers were unable to estimate approximate size, speed, or vertical elevation; and, therefore, were not certain whether the object was over the Controlled Area or a considerable distance away. There was no vapor trail or any other visible condition within the vicinity of the object and there were no clouds which could have obscured it. The observers were unable to identify the object in terms of mass or shpae, other than the circular appearance of the light. However, the circular area appeared to darken, starting at approximately 7:00 to 9:00 o'clock along the perimeter and continuing to darken along the perimeter and inner area until the light was concentrated in approximately 1:00 to 3:00 o'clock position of a very small diameter, at which point it appeared somewhat similar to a large star.

3. The observers were not in complete agreement as to whether the object was moving at a speed which caused it to diminish in size or actually was diminishing in size without any great velocity of travel due to the darkening effect described above.

NEPA Division
FAIRCHILD ENGINE AND AIRPLANE CORPORATION

s/ Gene A. Goedjen

t/ GENE A. GOEDJEN
Plant Protection Manager

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Fairchild Engine and Airplane Corporation
NEPA Division, P. O. Box 415, Oak Ridge, Tenn.

CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

WILLIAM B. GRAY, SAC, Knoxville, Tenn.

111th CIC Detachment, F/O #8, P.O. Box 379, Knoxville, Tennessee

OBJECTS SIGHTED OVER OAK RIDGE,
TENNESSEE

(In compliance with letter AJACI-360.33 General, dated 15 November 1950, Headquarters, third Army, Subject; Unconventional Aircraft, the following is submitted.)

A. Location and Time of Sighting: From 1605 hours for about three (3) hours, on 14 December 1951, on the Radar Scopes of the 663rd AC and W Squadron, McGhee Tyson Airport, Knoxville, Tennessee.

B. Weather at the Time: At 1600 hours on 14 December 1950--"Ceiling-2100 feet; Broken overcast; Seven (7) miles visibility; Temperature- 37 degrees F.; and Wind - Southwest at thirteen (13)miles perhour."

C. Names, Occupations, and Addresses of Witnesses: Personnel of the 663rd AC and W Squadron, 30th Air Division, McGhee Tyson Airport, Knoxville, Tennessee, who were on duty at the time. Their occupations are Radar operators, Supervisors, and experts.

D. Photographs of Objects, if available: No photographs taken. See "F" below.

E. Object Sighted: A group of targets blanketed the Radar Scopes in the area directly over the government Atomic Energy Commission projects at Oak Ridge, Tennessee. These objects could not be identified from the radar image and a perfect fighter interception met with negative results.

F. Any other pertinent information: Lt, Robinson of the 663rd AC and W Squadron, McGhee Tyson Airport, Knoxville, Tennessee took photographs of the scope readings with a personal, four (4) by five (5) Speed Graphic Camera, using Plus-X civilian procured film, a lense opening of F-2.5, and a shutter speed varying from twenty (20) to fourty-five (45) seconds. The negatives were printed and forwarded to the 30th Air Division, Selfridge Air Force Base, Michigan, which installation printed the negatives and sent copies thereof to the 663rd AC and W Squadron. The numerous targets can readily identified from the permanent radar echos by comparing the photographs. (B-2)

SOURCE: Personnel and logs of the 663rd AC and W Squadron, McGhee Tyson Airport, Knoxville, Tennessee.

20 January 1951

111th CIC Detachment, FA 18, P.O. Box 379, Knoxville, Tennessee

OBJECTS SIGHTED OVER OAK RIDGE,
TENNESSEE

(In compliance with letter AJACI-360.33 General, dated 15 November 1950, Headquarters, Third Army, Subject; Unconventional Aircraft, the following is submitted.)

A. Location and Time of Sighting: On 1247 hours on 20 December 1950.

B. Weather at Time of Sighting; At 1200 hours on 20 December 1950; Ceiling - 2700 feet; broken overcast; Seven miles visibility; Temperature - 37 degrees F; Dew Point - 31 degrees; and Wind - Calm.

C. Names, Occupations, and Addresses of Witnesses: Personnel of the 663rd AC &C Squadron, and the 5th AN Fighter Squadron, McGhee Tyson Airport, Knoxville, Tennessee

D. Photographs of Objects, if available: None

E. Object Sighted: The radar log of the 663rd AN and C Squadron, McGhee Tyson Airport, Knoxville, Tennessee contained the following entry: "20 December 1950. 1247 hours. Small paint in area (Oak Ridge Controlled Area). Very, very slow. Made perfect intercept (with F-82 Fighter aircraft) and orbit surrounding small smoke cloud."

F. Any other pertinent information: This report is made because of its possible aid in determining the identity of the numerous unidentified objects sighted over Oak Ridge, Tennessee

SOURCE: Personnel of 663rd AC &W, Squadron, McGhee Tyson, Knoxville, Tennessee, and the log of the 663rd AC&W Squadron.

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ENCLOSURE

111th CIC Detachment, FAO # 8, P.O. Box 379, Knoxville, Tennessee

OBJECTS SIGHTED OVER OAK RIDGE,
TENNESSEE

(in compliance with letter AJACI-360.33 General, dated 15 November 1950, Headquarters Third Army, Subject; Unconventional Aircraft, the following is submitted.)

A. Location and Time of Sighting: At 2145 hours on 16 January 1951.

B. Weather at the Time of Sighting: Clear; visibility twenty (20) miles; Temperature - 37 degrees F.; and Wind - Southwest at five (5) miles perhour.
Winds aloft: At 2000 feet - 240 degrees at 3 knots
3000 " - 210 " " 3 knots
4000 " - 209 " " 5 knots

C. Names, Occupations and Addresses of Witnesses: 663rd AC&W Squadron Personnel who are Radar operators. AEC Patrol Personnel, policemen at Oak Ridge, Tennessee. Captains L.C.M. Clevenger and Wm. Aiken, Controllers of 663rd.

D. Photographs of Objects if available: None

E. Object sighted: Two bright objects in the sky, one of which was east of McGhee Tyson Airport and the other was west. The object to the east was a light, brighter than any other star, emitting intermittant glows of various colors in the color spectrum. An aircraft attempted interception and found that he was heading directly for a star. Weather personnel explained that the spectural reflection of the star was caused by the volurm of atmosphere and physical matter, together with heat, which must be looked through to see a star close to the horizon. These phenomenon caused refraction of the light rays from the star thereby reflecting a continuous spectural change of light color.

The light to the West was observed through a twenty (20) power spotting scope and the light seemed to be descending. It took about one hour to descend behind trees making it disappear from the sight of observers. Captain Clevenger stated that this light, when viewed through the spotting scope, took on many peculiar forms, with lines, cores, tails, etc, therein, thus generally fitting the description of all "flying saucers" ever described to him.

Shortly after this object disappeared from sight (behind trees) AEC personnel at Oak Ridge, Tennessee reported they had sighted an object about twelve (12) miles Southeast of the K-25 Plant in the Controlled Area. They also observed the aircraft which had been sent for interception but stated the aircraft was "too far north". The aircraft made no identification, and AEC personnel later reported that they had observed a star.

F. Any other pertinent information: The Commanding Officer of the 663rd AC&W Squadron, 30th Air Division, McGhee Tyson Airport, Knoxville, Tennessee, in a letter to his Commanding Officer on 17 January 1951, Subject; Report of Unusual incident 2145 hours 16 January 1951, stated;

1. In compliance with telephone instructions from the ADCC 17 January 1951, the following unusual incident report is herewith submitted;

Time Date-16 January 1951

1915: An unusual airbourne object was sighted approximately 10 miles WNW of the station, the lighted object was very similar to a star but much brighter and slightly larger than other visible stars at the time, as observed the object seemed to be approximately 6,000 feet above the terrain and descending slowly. As the object appeared to be over or near the Oak Ridge Area, the AEC Patrol Headquarters was notified and their ground observer alerted. About this time some interference was noted on the Radar Scopes (AN/CPS-11 in the approximate area of the observed object; however no interference was noted on the height finder (AN/CPS-4) (See attached Form 117 dtd 17 Jan 1951

1925: Object still apparently descending, F-82 scrambled to attempt interception, still no report from AEC Headquarters.

1930: Similar object observed 15 to 20 miles east of station; seems to be ascending rather than descending.

1935: AF 7177 (Locally homed and piloted by assigned sq officer) C-45 -enroute CHA to tys, requested fixed to steer to tys - A/C fixed 25 miles SW of station, Pilot Major Raymond C. Care - AF 7177 requested to investigate object east of station.

1945: AF 7177 sighted subject object and reported it to be a star

1945: F-82 orbiting S/E corner of Oak Ridge Area no electronic or visual observation still no electronic observation by station 47.

1946: Visual observation reported by Oak Ridge Ground Observers, 12 miles southeast of K-25 area (This is in the SE corner of Oak Ridge Area) F-82 in sight and is north of object. F-82 vectored south toward object no contact, electronic or visual. Object report 2400 feet above terrain by Oak Ridge Observers.

1955: Oak Ridge Patrol Headquarters reports that observed object determined (to be a star) to be a star.

2000: F-82 reports clear sailing and no restrictions to visibility, still patroling area for possible pickup of object, still no joy."

NOTE: This is an extract of the information listed in logs kept at the Radar Site by Radar Personnel. (B-2)

SOURCE: Personnel as in "C" above.

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FROM: CGUSARAL FT RICHARDSON ALASKA FROM ARGSI

TO: DEPTAR WASH DC FOR ACOFS G2

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DTG: 150345Z 15 DEC 50

Alas Air Comd reports military jet pilots via Fairbanks while over Weeks International Field at an altitude of 8000 feet observed a flash of light, yellow in color at an altitude between 25,000 and 30,000 feet. Horizontal distance to object was aprx 50 miles. Soon after flash a dark brown smoke appeared to rise or climb at an angle of 40 degrees. At the leading edge of the smoke at aprx 100 feet appeared an object either cigar shaped or a fuselage without wings travelling at terrific speed. Pilots started pursuit on heading of 210 degrees mag, indicating 380 at a very steep climb. Pursuit continued until pilots reached village of clear and lost sight of object. Meantime object gained altitude and speed and disappeared because of distance of aprx 50 to 55,000 feet. Color of smoke brown, color of object dark and no reflection from sunlight. Pilots assured of shape because of perfect silhouette against the sun. One pilot had object in view aprx 4½ mins. First sighted at 150026Z. Coordinates 64 degs 13 mins North, 149 degs 30 mins West. Add info will be fwd when obtained.

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DETECTION OF UNIDENTIFIED OBJECTS
AT OAK RIDGE, October 20,23,24,26, 1950
PROTECTION OF VITAL INSTALLATIONS
Flying Saucers

Remylet October 18, 1950.

Submitted herewith is copy of CIC reports on above caption matter. Further information as received will be forwarded to Bureau.

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RE FLYING SAUCERS. THIS OFFICE VERY CONFIDENTIALLY ADVISED BY ARMY INTELLIGENCE, RICHMOND, THAT THEY HAVE BEEN PUT ON IMMEDIATE HIGH ALERT FOR ANY DATA WHATSOEVER CONCERNING FLYING SAUCERS. CIC HERE STATES BACKGROUND OF INSTRUCTIONS NOT AVAILABLE FROM AIR FORCE INTELLIGENCE, WHO ARE NOT AWARE OF REASON FOR ALERT LOCALLY, BUT ANY INFORMATION WHATSOEVER MUST BE TELEPHONED BY THEM IMMEDIATELY TO AIR FORCE INTELLIGENCE. CIC ADVISES DATA STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL AND SHOULD NOT BE DISSEMINATED.

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DETECTION OF UNIDENTIFIED OBJCXXX OBJECTS OVER OAK RIDGE AREA, PROTECTION OF VITAL INSTALLATIONS. REURTEL DECEMBER FOUR LAST REGARDING POSSIBLE RADAR JAMMING AT OAK RIDGE. ARRANGEMENTS SHOULD BE MADE TO OBTAIN ALL FACTS CONCERNING POSSIBLE RADAR JAMMING BY IONIZATION OF PARTICLES IN ATOXXX ATMOSRHERE. CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION TO DETERMINE WHETHER INCIDENT OCCURRING NORTHEAST OF OLIVER SPRINGS, TENNESSEE, COULD HAVE HAD ANY CONNECTION WITH ALLEGED RADAR JAMMING. SUTEL IMPORTANT DEVELOPMENTS.

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Flying Saucers

RADAR DETECTION OF UNIDENTIFIED OBJECTS OVER OAK RIDGE OCTOBER TWELVE, NINETEEN FIFTY, PROTECTION OF VITAL INSTALLATIONS. USAF RADAR INSTALLATION AT KNOXVILLE AT ELEVEN TWENTYFIVE PM, EST, OCTOBER TWELVE, PICKED UP INDICATIONS OF ELEVEN OBJECTS AND PERHAPS MORE TRAVELING ACROSS CONTROLLED AREA OF ATOMIC ENERGY INSTALLATION AT OAK RIDGE. ALTITUDE OF OBJECTS VARIED FROM ONE THOUSAND TO FIVE THOUSAND FEET, COURSES FROM SOUTH SOUTH EAST TO SOUTHEAST, AND DENSITY FROM READING MADE BY LIGHT AIRCRAFT TO AIRCRAFT EQUAL IN SIZE TO C FORTY SEVEN, SPEED FROM ONE HUNDRED TO ONE HUNDRED TWENTYFIVE MILES PER HOUR. FIGHTER PLANE ATTEMPTED TO INTERCEPT IN FEW MINUTES AND RADAR SCREEN REFLECTED CONTACT, BUT PLANE REPORTED NO OBJECT COULD BE SEEN EITHER VISUALLY OR ON PLANES RADAR SCREEN. AEC PATROL WAS ALERTED BUT NO OBJECTS COULD BE VISUALLY SIGHTED BY THEM OVER THE AREA OTHER THAN THE AIR FORCE INTERCEPTOR. OSI AND EASTERN AIR DEFENSE FORCES HAVE BEEN ADVISED AND ARE CHECKING INCIDENT. NO REASONABLE EXPLANATION FOR RADAR READINGS YET DEVELOPED ALTHOUGH OPERATORS ARE EXPERIENCED RELIABLE PERSONNEL AND RADAR SET IS IN PERFECT OPERATING CONDITION. BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED OF FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS.

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To: Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
The Pentagon
Washington, D.C.

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From: J. Edgar Hoover, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: FLYING DISCS

[redacted] October 20, 1950, he, his wife, and daughter, who reside at [redacted] New Haven, went out of their home into the back yard at approximately 6:15 p.m. His young daughter called his attention to a star which was moving, and Mr. [redacted] noted a sphere-like object directly overhead that gave a steady golden-orange glow. He stated that this object was very high, being between ten to twenty thousand feet high, possibly higher. The glow given off was very steady, not blinking, and the whole sphere itself glowed in about the same consistency. He witnessed this object for approximately twenty seconds, during which time it traveled in a westerly direction toward New York City. It then veered in a southerly direction, as if crossing Long Island, or possibly in such a direction that it might have been traveling over Long Island. He lost sight of this object as it disappeared behind trees.

He advised the size of the object was approximately ten times the diameter of Venus, which was shining very brightly that night. He stated it was a very clear night and that all the stars in the sky were twinkling, as compared to the steadiness of the glow given off by this object. He advised that the object did not appear to diminish in size as it traveled farther away, but appeared to maintain about the same size as when he first

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noticed it directly overhead. The same steady orange glow persisted during the entire time that he witnessed it. Although this object was actually cut from his sight by nearby trees, Mr. [redacted] stated that it was so far away at that time that he probably would have lost sight of it very shortly. The object made no sound whatsoever, and there seemed to be no attachments or projections of any kind. Mr. [redacted] stated the object was a complete circular ball. He had no idea as to the method of propulsion, but advised that at the time it seemed to change directions, probably over New York City, and that it seemed to back up and go forward, possibly two or three times, in order to execute a change of direction. There were no clouds in the sky which interfered with his vision, and he could not comment as to whether or not this object penetrated or circumvented clouds. The object left no trail of any kind, and Mr. [redacted] mathematically calculated its speed at between 400 and 700 miles per hour, depending on the height, which he stated he could not accurately compute. He advised that he could not recall any odors and had no idea as to the construction of the object.

To Mr. [redacted]' knowledge, the only other persons in this area to have witnessed the object were his wife and daughter. Immediately upon sighting the object, Mrs. [redacted] ran to the door of neighbors occupying the same house as the [redacted] to bring them to the yard. However, these neighbors did not witness the object, since it disappeared before they got outside.

Mr. [redacted] stated that he is a Chemical Engineer and has fifteen years of experience in research and development. He is not a pilot, but has done considerable flying, and has also done considerable reading, including technical data concerning flying saucers and discs. He understands from reading the above matters that the star Venus is often mistaken by observers for flying saucers, and he pointed out that he feels that he is familiar with astronomy and did not confuse the object he saw with Venus, since he also recalled seeing Venus in the sky on that particular evening, and compared the size of this object as being ten times Venus' diameter. He also stated that he computed the speed at which this object was traveling by using points in his area, such as roof tops and tree tops, together with the distance he walked on the ground in order to keep the object in sight.

HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
WASHINGTON

THE INSPECTOR GENERAL USAF
17TH DISTRICT OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS
KIRTLAND AIR FORCE BASE, NEW MEXICO

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File No: (24-8)-28

25 May 1950

SUBJECT: Summary of Observations of Aerial Phenomena in the New Mexico Area, December 1948 - May 1950

TO: Brigadier General Joseph F. Carroll
Director of Special Investigations
Headquarters USAF
Washington 25, D. C.

1. In a liaison meeting with other military and government intelligence and investigative agencies in December 1948, it was determined that the frequency of unexplained aerial phenomena in the New Mexico area was such that an organized plan of reporting these observations should be undertaken. The organization and physical location of units of this District were most suitable for collecting these data, therefore, since December 1948, this District has assumed the responsibility for collecting and reporting basic information with respect to aerial phenomena occurring in this general area. These reports have been distributed to the Air Materiel Command, USAF, in accordance with Air Intelligence Requirements No. 4, and to other interested military and government agencies.

2. There is attached, as a part of this summary, a compilation of aerial phenomena sightings that have occurred mostly in the New Mexico area and have been reported by this District Office subsequent to December 1948. This compilation of sightings is not a complete record of all reported observations, but includes only those in which sufficient information was available to justify their inclusion. The observers of these phenomena include scientists, Special Agents of the Office of Special Investigations (IG) USAF, airline pilots, military pilots, Los Alamos Security Inspectors, military personnel, and many other persons of various occupations whose reliability is not questioned. This compilation sets forth the most important characteristics with respect to each observation and evaluates each sighting into one of three classifications, (1) green fireball phenomenon, (2) disc or variation, and (3) probably meteoric.

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3. There is also attached an analysis of the green fireball occurrences in this area made by Dr. Lincoln LaPaz. Dr. LaPaz is the

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Director of the Institute of Meteoritics and Head of the Department of Mathematics and Astronomy at the University of New Mexico. He was Research Mathematician at the New Mexico Proving Grounds under an OSRD appointment in 1943 and 1944, and Technical Director of the Operations Analysis Section, Headquarters, Second Air Force, 1944-45. Since 1948, Dr. LaPaz has served on a voluntary basis as consultant for this District in connection with the green fireball investigations.

4. On 17 February 1949 and again on 14 October 1949, conferences were held at Los Alamos, New Mexico, for the purpose of discussing the green fireball phenomena. Representatives of the following organizations were present at these meetings: Fourth Army, Armed Forces Special Weapons Project, University of New Mexico, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Atomic Energy Commission, University of California, U. S. Air Force Scientific Advisory Board, Geophysical Research Division Air Materiel Command USAF, and the Office of Special Investigations (IG) USAF. A logical explanation was not proffered with respect to the origin of the green fireballs. It was, however, generally concluded that the phenomena existed and that they should be studied scientifically until these occurrences have been satisfactorily explained. Further, that the continued occurrence of unexplained phenomena of this nature in the vicinity of sensitive installations is cause for concern.

5. The Geophysical Research Division, Air Materiel Command, Cambridge, Massachusetts, has recently let a contract to Land-Air, Inc., Holloman AFB, Alamogordo, New Mexico, for a limited scientific study of green fireballs. The results of this scientific approach to the problem will undoubtedly be of great value in determining the origin of these phenomena.

6. This summary of observations of aerial phenomena has been prepared for the purpose of re-emphasizing and reiterating the fact that phenomena have continuously occurred in the New Mexico skies during the past 18 months and are continuing to occur, and, secondly, that these phenomena are occurring in the vicinity of sensitive military and government installations.

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Lt Colonel, USAF
District Commander

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1. Summary of Sightings
2. Photo of Sighting No. 175 w/comments
3. Ltr fr Dr. LaPaz to Lt Col Rees, dtd 23 May 50
4. Graph indicating maximums

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1 cy, CG, Air Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson AFB, ~~Ohio~~
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1 cy, CG, Armed Services Special Weapons Project, Sandia Base, New Mexico. ATTN: J-2
1 cy, CG, Headquarters, Fourth Army, Ft. Sam Houston, ~~Texas~~
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1 cy, CO, Holloman AFB, New Mexico
1 cy, CO, Air Force Cambridge Research Laboratories, Cambridge, ~~Mass.~~
1 cy, Director, Security Division, U. S. Atomic Energy Commission, Los Alamos, New Mexico. ATTN: Mr. B. O. Wells
1 cy, Federal Bureau of Investigation, El Paso, Texas
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To: COMMUNICATIONS SEC URGENT 10/18/50

Transmit the following message to: SAC, LOS ANGELES

FLYING SAUCERS. REBUTELS OCTOBER THIRTEEN AND SEVENTEEN LAST. SUTEL IMMEDIATELY RESULTS OF YOUR INVESTIGATION TO IDENTIFY [redacted] [redacted]Y, AUTHOR OF QUOTE [redacted] UNQUOTE.

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12. Apparent construction ____________________

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13. Apparent means of support and/or propulsion ____________________

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14. Size of object ____________________

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15. Luminosity of object ____________________
(Bright, very bright, glaring, etc.)

16. Color of object ____________________

17. Sound ____________________

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18. Odor ____________________

19. Speed ____________________

20. Evidence of trail or exhaust ____________________

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21. Effect on clouds ____________________

22. Tactics or manoeuvers ____________________

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23. Manner of disappearance ____________________

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24. What attracted attention to object ____________________

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25. Additional Remarks of observer ____________________

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REPORT OF UNIDENTIFIED AERIAL OBJECTS
U.S ATOMIC ENERGY SECURITY SERVICE
LOS ALAMOS, NEW MEXICO

DATE ____________ ____________, 195__
(Day) (Month)

1. Name of Observer ____________ ____________ ____________
Last First M.I.

Station assigned ____________ Section ____________

Home Address ____________ Telephone ____________

Names of other known observers ____________

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2. Time and date of sighting ________ hours ____________ ____________ 195__
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3. Point of observation ____________

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4. Direction of object from observer ____________

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5. Distance of object from observer ____________

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6. Angle of elevation from horizon ____________ degrees ____________

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7. Direction of flight of object ____________

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8. Time in sight ____________

9. Number of objects ____________

10. Shape of object ____________

11. Projections and/or indentations ____________

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TO : MR. LADD

FROM : A. H. BELMONT

SUBJECT: FLYING SAUCERS

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The matter of flying saucers was discussed by Special Agent [redacted] with Major General Joseph F. Carroll of OSI on October 16, 1950, at which time General Carroll advised that insofar as he has been able to determine the Air Force is not working on any type of "flying saucer" or "flying disk". General Carroll stated that the Air Force is working on high altitude rockets and jet aircraft. He stated these experiments may account for some of the reports concerning flying saucers but that the Air Force is not apparently working on anything which is the cause of the many flying saucers reports. He stated that the Air Force program for investigating reports concerning flying saucers, etc., has been reinstituted at Wright Field and that any pertinent information of interest coming to his attention will be furnished to the Bureau.

RECOMMENDATION:

The foregoing is for your information.

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(SAUCER)

DENVER--A CONSTRUCTION WORKER AT LOS ALAMOS, N.M., HAS REPORTED THAT A STRANGE "BLINKING OBJECT" SOARED OVER A HIGHLY RESTRICTED AREA OF THE BIG ATOMIC ENERGY CENTER.

LEE ROBINSON OF THE ARMEX CONSTRUCTION COMPANY SENT THE DENVER POST A COPY OF A MIMEOGRAPHED FORM WHICH HE USED TO REPORT THE OBJECT TO THE AEC.

THE FORMS ARE PREPARED BY THE AEC FOR "REPORTS OF UNIDENTIFIED AERIAL OBJECTS AT LOS ALAMOS."

THE ORIGINAL THREE-PAGE REPORT, ROBINSON SAID, WAS SUBMITTED TO THE ATOMIC ENERGY SECURITY SERVICE SEPT. 12., THE DAY ROBINSON AND EIGHT OTHER EMPLOYEES OF THE ARMEX COMPANY SAY THEY SAW THE OBJECT.

ROBINSON SAID HE AND THE OTHERS WERE EATING LUNCH WHEN THE UNIDENTIFIED OBJECT PASSED OVER. HE SAID IT "WAS NOT A BALLOON OR A CONVENTIONAL TYPE OF AIRCRAFT."

ROBINSON SAID THE OBJECT APPEARED TO BE AT AN ALTITUDE OF ABOUT 20,00 FEET. IT ALTERNATELY FLASHED BRIGHT AND BLACK AT INTERVALS OF TWO SECONDS, HE SAID, AND WAS VISIBLE FOR THREE MINUTES AND 40 SECONDS.

THE SPECIALLY MIMEOGRAPHED FORMS INDICATED THE AEC IS HIGHLY CONCERNED WITH UNIDENTIFIED AERIAL OBJECTS OVER THE PROJECT. THE FORMS CONTAIN SPACES FOR INFORMANTS TO REPORT ON LUMINOSITY OF OBJECT, APPARENT MEANS OF SUPPORT AND PROPULSION AND "ODOR" OF THE OBJECT.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI DATE: November 9, 1950

FROM : SAC, NEW HAVEN

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS
[redacted], INFORMANT

The following is being brought to the attention of the Bureau so that it may be referred to the Department of the Air Force in connection with instructions set forth in SAC Letter No. 38, Series 1949, dated March 25, 1949.

Mr. [redacted] Avenue, New Haven, was interviewed in connection with other official business and furnished the following information:

He advised that on Friday, October 20, 1950, he and his wife and daughter, who reside at [redacted] New Haven, went out of the back door of their home to the back yard at approximately 6:15 P.M. His little daughter called his attention to a star in the sky that was moving and Mr. [redacted] noted a sphere-like object directly overhead which gave a steady golden orange glow. He stated that this object was very high between ten to twenty thousand feet, possibly higher. The glow given off was very steady and not blinking and the whole sphere itself glowed in about the same consistency. He witnessed this object for approximately twenty seconds during which time it traveled in a westerly direction toward New York City and then when Mr. [redacted] believed that possibly it was near or over New York City, it then veered in a southerly direction as if crossing Long Island or possibly in such a direction that it might have been traveling over Long Island. He lost sight of this object as it disappeared behind trees in his vicinity. He advised that as to the size of the object, it was approximately ten times the diameter of Venus, which was shining very brightly that night. He states it was a very clear night and that all the stars in the sky were twinkling as compared to the steadiness of the glow given off by this object. He advised that the object did not appear to diminish in size as it traveled farther away from him but appeared to maintain about the same size as when he first noticed it directly overhead. The same steady orange glow persisted during the entire time that he witnessed it. Although this object was actually cut from his sight by nearby trees, Mr. [redacted] states that it was so far away from him any way that he probably would have lost sight of it very shortly due to distance had the trees not intervened. The object made no sound whatsoever

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and there seemed to be no attachments or projections of any kind, just a complete circular ball. He had no idea as to the method of propulsion but advised that at the time it seemed to change directions, probably over New York City, that it had seemed to back up and go forward, possibly two or three times in order to execute a change of direction. There were no clouds in the sky that interfered with his vision of this object and he could not comment as to whether or not this object penetrated or circumvented clouds. The object left no trail of any kind and Mr. [redacted] mathematically calculated its speed at between four hundred and seven hundred miles per hour, depending on the height which he stated he could not accurately compute. He advised that he could not recall any odors and had no idea as to its construction. To his knowledge the only other persons in this area to have witnessed this object were his wife and daughter. Immediately upon sighting the object, his wife ran to the door of neighbors occupying the same house as the [redacted] to bring them to the yard. However, these neighbors had not witnessed the object as by the time they got outside the object had disappeared.

Mr. [redacted] stated that he is a Chemical Engineer, has fifteen years of experience in research and development. He is not a pilot but has done considerable flying and has also done considerable reading, including technical data concerning flying saucers and discs. He understands from reading the above matters that the star Venus is often mistaken by observers for flying saucers and he pointed out that he feels that he is familiar with astronomy not to confuse the object he saw with Venus as he also recalls Venus in the sky on that particular evening and compared the size of this object as being ten times Venus' diameter. He also states that he computed the speed at which this object was traveling by using points in his area, such as, roof tops and tree tops together with the distance he walked on the ground in order to keep the object in sight.

Mr. [redacted] was advised that the Bureau would turn this information over to another agency and indicated that this was according to his approval. He specifically requested that no public announcement or comment be given to the fact that he had reported seeing the above object. Mr. [redacted] appeared to be a very reliable and sincere individual and evidences considerable technical knowledge and experience in reporting the above incident.

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STAFF COMMUNICATIONS OFFICE

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TO: DEPTAR WASH DC FOR ACOFS G2

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Alas Air Comd reports military jet pilots vic Fairbanks while over Weeks International Field at an altitude of 8000 feet observed a flash of light, yellow in color at an altitude between 25,000 and 30,000 feet. Horizontal distance to object was aprx 50 miles. Soon after flash a dark brown smoke appeared to rise or climb at an angle of 40 degrees. At the leading edge of the smoke at aprx 100 feet appeared an object either cigar shaped or a fuselage without wings travelling at terrific speed. Pilots started pursuit on heading of 210 degrees mag, indicating 380 at a very steep climb. Pursuit continued until pilots reached village of clear and lost sight of object. Meantime object gained altitude and speed and disappeared because of distance of aprx 50 to 55,000 feet. Color of smoke brown, color of object dark and no reflection from sunlight. Pilots assured of shape because of perfect silhouette against the sun. One pilot had object in view aprx 4½ mins. First sighted at 150026Z. Coordinates 64 dcgs 13 mins North, 149 dsgs 30 mins West. Add info will be fwd when obtained.

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Upon receiving the above information from Mr. [redacted] he was advised that this Bureau would turn the information over to another Government agency. Mr. [redacted] indicated his approval of this action, but specifically requested that no public announcement or comment be given to the fact that he had reported seeing the above object.

The above information has been furnished to your office for your confidential information and assistance in connection with the captioned matter. It is requested that no dissemination be made of this information.

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Summary [illegible]

Number	Date	Time	Number of Observers	*Reliability of Observers	General Area of Occurrence	Apparent Direction of Flight	Apparent Altitude	Course Horizontal to Vertical	Color	Train or Trail	Duration of Observation	Sound	Shape	Apparent Size	Apparent Speed	Manner of Disappearance	**Evaluation
29	1949 [illegible] Mar	2020	2	[redacted] 65	Camp Hood, Texas	N 40° E	50° above horizon		Blue-white light			None	Ball like flash	Basketball	"Fixed flash"		[redacted] 65
30	7 Mar	2045	1	[redacted] 65	Camp Hood, Texas	From S 21° W to S 60° W	From 21° above horizon to 6°31' above		Light [illegible] head orange trail	Yes		None	Comet head with trail	About 10' in length			[redacted] 65
31	7 Mar	0115	1	[redacted] 65	Camp Hood, Texas	N 40° E	63° 15' above horizon		Brilliant blue-white			None	Like flash blub	Flash bulb			[redacted] 65
32	7 Mar	0130	1	[redacted] 65	Camp Hood, Texas	N 15° W	27° 30' above horizon		Bright blue-white			None	Like flash bulb	Basketball	"Fixed flash"		[redacted] 65
33	7 Mar	0130 0200	2	[redacted] 65	Camp Hood, Texas	S 20° W	26° above horizon		Bluish white			None	Ball like flash	Flash bulb			[redacted] 65
34	7 Mar	0145	1	[redacted] 65	Camp Hood, Texas	N 60° E		Dropped vertically to ground	Orange		2 secs	None	Tear-drop	2' by 1'		Disappeared behind trees	[redacted] 65

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39	1949 [illegible] Mar	0103	[redacted] 65	Unk	Camp Hood, Texas	From N 56° W S 64° W	From 15° above horizon	Traveled in arc	Pale reddish nose whitish red trail	Yes		None	Lemon w/tail			Disappeared	[redacted] 65
40	13 Mar	2153	[redacted] 66	Unk	Albuquerque, New Mexico	NE to SW or SW to NE	20° above horizon	Descending slightly	Bluish or greenish white	Yes	2-4 secs	None	Length twice diameter of ball	½ diameter of full moon			[redacted] 65
41	1[illegible] Mar	05-00-16Z	[redacted] 65	[illegible]	Airplane enroute fr Honolulu to Canton Is		6°-12° above airplane at [illegible],000	Horizontal			10 secs	None	Nose like bullet		75° in 9 secs		[redacted] 65
42	27 Mar	1800 1805	[redacted] 65	Unk	Tucumcari, New Mexico	E to W	High in sky -app. 30° above horizon		Amber	None	25 mts	None	Long & narrow			Faded out in distance	[redacted] 65
43	27 Mar	1800	[redacted] 65	Unk	Montoya, New Mexico	E to W	About 75° above		Orange flame	None	10 mts	None	Long & narrow	Length—about 1/6 lunar diameter, width—about 1/6 length		Faded out in distance	[redacted] 65

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Summary of Reports of Unidentified Aerial Phenomena, 17th District OSI (cont)

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5	[illegible] 27 Oct	Night	1	[redacted] 65	Phoenix, Arizona	E to W			Green		75 [illegible]			[illegible]	[illegible]	Became very bright and fell apart	
	5 or 6 Nov	App 2200	1	[redacted] 65	Vaughn, New Mexico		400' - 500'	Descending slowly in vertical manner	Bright white			None	Round	Larger than base-ball	Descending slowly	Exploded	[redacted] 65
7	23 Nov	App 2200	1	[redacted] 65	Vaughn, New Mexico		[illegible] - 500'	Descending slowly in vertical manner	Bright white			None	Round	Larger than base-ball	Descending slowly	Exploded	[redacted] 65
8	6 Dec	2105	2	[redacted] 65	Las Vegas, New Mexico	W to E	Slightly above 9,000'	Horizontal slightly descending	Whitish orange		Few secs					Disappeared	[redacted] 65
9	6 Dec	App 2200	2	[redacted] 65	Albuquerque, New Mexico	No movement noted	10,500'	Parabolic curve	Green	Yes	2 secs	None	Round			Faded out	65
10	6 Dec	2255	1	[redacted] 65	Sandia Base, New Mexico	E to W		Slight falling arch	Green	Yes	2--3 secs	None	Round	1/3 diameter of moon	Rapid	Vanished	[redacted] 65
11	6 Dec	1033	2	[redacted] 65	Las Vegas, New Mexico	ENE to WSW	13,500'	Horizontal	Bright green	Yes	2 secs	None		Larger than a flare	Rapid rate of speed	Faded out	[redacted] 65

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Summary of Sightings of Unknown Aerial Phenomena, 17th District OSI (Cont)

Number	Date	Time	Number of Observers	*Reliability of Observers	General Area of Occurrence	Apparent Direction of Flight	Apparent Altitude	Course Horizontal or Vertical	Color	Train or Trail	Duration of Observation	Sound	Shape	Apparent Size	Apparent Speed	Manner of Disappearance	*Evaluation
12	1948 11 Dec	1930		[redacted] 65	Hood River, Oregon				Blue & white			Yes	Flash			Flash w/noise like thunder	
13	12 Dec	2102	5	[redacted] 65	15 miles south of Las Vegas, New Mexico	E to W	[illegible] - 10 miles	Horizontal	Very bright green		2.1-2.5 secs	None	Ball	Magnitude -4		Broke into 3 or 4 small fragments & disappeared	
14	20 Dec	2054	4	[redacted] 65	Los Alamos New Mexico	W to E	Great height descending	20° to the horizon	Pale green or bluish white	Yes	1-1/2 secs	None	Ball	[illegible]	High speed	Disappeared behind mountain	[redacted] 65
15	22 Dec	0431	1	[redacted] 65	Los Alamos, New Mexico	N to S	Descended from high alt to [illegible]	Descending in vertical path	White		Sev. secs	None	Star	Star	Slower than falling star	Disappeared w/greenish flash	[redacted] 65
16	1949 6 Jan	1730	1	[redacted] 65	Albuquerque New Mexico	SE to NW	1500' - 2000'	Horizontal	Bright white			None	Diamond	App. 2' long	Much faster than a jet	Disappeared	[redacted] 65
17	6 Jan	0310	1	[redacted] 65	Los Alamos, New Mexico	E to W	5 to 6° from observer	Horizontal	Brilliant green		2 secs	None			High speed	Disappeared behind mountainous horizon	[redacted] 65
18	30 Jan	1754	App 200	[redacted] 65	El Paso, Texas	NW to SE	3° - 5° above horizon	Horizontal	Green			None	Ball			Broke into pieces	[redacted] 65

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19	30 Jan	1755	App 200	[redacted] 65	Roswell, New Mexico	W to E	2000'	Horizontal	Blue-green			None			Moving slowly	Disappeared to some. Disintegrated into shower of smaller lighted fragments	[redacted] 65
20	30 Jan	App 1800	App 200	[redacted] 65	Alamogordo, New Mexico	N to [illegible]	Angle of climb, 15°-30° [illegible]	Gentle descent	Green		3 - 15 secs	None	Ball			Seemed to fizzle out	[redacted] 65
21	30 Jan	1754 1800	10	[redacted] 65	Ft. Worth, Texas	N to S	13° above horizon	30° downward from horizon	Green brilliant sparks	Yes	1 - 7 secs	None		1/2 size of full moon		Disintegration	[redacted] 65
22	16 Feb	1840	2	[redacted] 65	Amado, New Mexico		Somewhat above horizon	Stationary then fell in slight curve to W	Brilliant white slightly green color	Yes		None			Stationary then fell in slight curve to W.		[redacted] 65

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23	1949 17 Feb	1900	1	[redacted] 65	Grants, New Mexico	Southward		Vertical climb then leveled off Gradual ascent	White	Yes		None	Oval	Larger than meteor		Disappeared	[redacted] 65
24	17 Feb		App 100	[redacted] 65	Albuquerque, New Mexico	W to E			Brilliant white shifting to peach color		[illegible] secs	None	Round shifting to ellipse	1 lunar diameter		Disappeared	[redacted] 65
25	27 Feb	1905	1	[redacted] 65	Los Alamos, New Mexico	W to E		Parallel to earth	Green-white		2 secs	None		-	Not as fast as meteor	Disappeared abruptly	[redacted] 65
26	2 Mar	0010	1	[redacted] 65	Los Alamos, New Mexico	N to S	"Low in sky"	Horizontal	Light		2 secs	None			Very fast	Disappeared behind trees	[redacted] 65
27	3 Mar	0159	1	[redacted] 65	Los Alamos, New Mexico	Straight down		Straight down	Bright green							Disappeared	[redacted] 65
28	6 Mar	2100	2	[redacted] 65	Camp Hood, Texas	From N 74° W N 81° W	From 6° 45' above horizon		Blue-white light	Yes		None	Oblong	2' by 1'	Not known		[redacted] 65

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80	1949 28 Jul	2045	[illegible]	[redacted] b5	Killeen Base, Texas	N to S	30° above horizon		White w/tint of blue green	Yes	3-5 secs	None	Round w/tail	Size of evening star	Unable to estimate	Faded out	[redacted] b5
81	28 Jul	2259	[illegible]	[redacted] b5	Killeen, Texas	S to E	30° above horizon		2 predominately white. 1 had orange glow to tail	Yes	#1 at 2-3 secs #2 at 10 - 12 secs	None	Round w/tail	Tennis ball		Faded out	[redacted] b5
82	28 Jul	225	[illegible]	[redacted] b5	Killeen, Texas	N to NW	30° above horizon		Initially blue turning white	None	15 - 20 secs	None	Round	3 times size evening star		Went out like light	[redacted] b5
83	30 Jul	2135	[illegible]	[redacted] b5	Camp Hood, Texas	SE to NW	35° to horizon	Climbed in arc	Blue-white	Yes	2 - 2½ secs	None	Like rocket tail		2 - 2½ secs to cover arc of about 15°	Faded out	[redacted] b5
84	30 Jul	2204	[illegible]	[redacted] b5	Camp Hood, Texas	SE to SW	App 30° above horizon	Straight flight losing altitude	Predominately white w/blue tint	Yes	2 - 3 secs	None	Round w/tail	Evening star or planet	Very fast	Gradually faded out	[redacted] b5

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75	1949 24 Jun	1545 1930	[redacted]	[redacted] 65	Mesa, Arizona	1 to SE 2 to E 3 to NE 4 vertical 5 to E		4 Horizontal 1 Vertical	Steel gray		4 at 30 mts 1 at 23 secs	None	Disc w/2 flanges		Max of 400 mph	Faded from view	[redacted] 65
76	27 Jun	2138	[redacted]	[redacted] 65	Albuquerque, New Mexico	W to E	30° to 70° above horizon		Similar to star Slightly more orange	Yes	2 mts	None	Round	Slightly larger than brightest star	140° in 2 mts.	Went behind building	[redacted] 65
77	28 Jun	2010	[redacted]	[redacted]	Flagstaff, Arizona	E to W	30° from vertical		Yellow in front Red behind	None		None	Bullet shaped	½ size of small airplane	Relatively slow	Over a hill	[redacted] 65
78	30 Jun	1030	[redacted]	[redacted] 65	Seligman, Arizona	N	30° above horizon		Dull grey	None	8 secs	None	Circle	Appeared 1½" diameter at 10,000' altitude	2,000 mph or faster	Disappeared in distance	[redacted] 65
79	11 Jul	2110	[redacted]	[redacted] 65	Camp Hood, Texas	W by SW	30° above horizon		Pale red	None	2 secs	None	Ball - but not a perfect circle	Twice as large as evening star		Such as turning off flashlight	[redacted] 65

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68	1949 9 May	App 1430	1	[redacted] b5	Tucson, Arizona	SW to NE			Silvery	None	6-10 secs	None	Round & Flat	25' in diameter	750-1000 mph	Faded from view	[redacted] b5
69	12 May	2115 2130	1	[redacted] b5	Alamogordo, New Mexico		3° or 4° above horizon		White with greenish tinge	None	4 mins	None	2 Fuzzy stars	3/4 diameter of full moon		Vanished	[redacted] b5
70	16 May	App 1700	1	[redacted] b5	Tucson, Arizona	E to W	5000'	Horizontal	Black	None	8-10 secs	None	Round solid flat	3 - 4' in diameter	500-1000 MPH	Behind aircraft hangar	[redacted] b5
71	2 Jun	0040	1	[redacted] b5	Los Alamos, New Mexico	E to N	7000' - 10,000'	Descending	Green	Yes	1 sec	None	Ball of light				[redacted] b5
72	11 Jun	2057	1	[redacted] b5	Los Alamos,	SW to NE	25° above horizon		Green then red at end of flight	Yes	4 - 5 secs	None		Size of star			[redacted] b5
73	20 Jun	2010	1	[redacted] b5	Los Alamos, New Mexico	W to E			Green turned orange red before vanishing	None	3 secs	None	Round			Extinguished	[redacted] b5
74	20 Jun	2010	1	[redacted] b5	Los Alamos, New Mexico	W to E	Directly overhead		Blue green	None	1-1/2 secs	None				Vanished as tho extinguished.	[redacted] b5

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62	1949 6 May	2040 2130	1	[redacted] b5	Camp Hood, Texas	W and N	App 1200' dropping to 440'		Alternating pinkish to green	None	50 mts	None	Round	½ dollar diminishing to short quarter size	Very slow	Faded from sight	[redacted] b5
63	6 May	0105	1	[redacted] b5	Los Alamos, New Mexico	N to S	5° above horizon	Was going down at an angle of 30 - 35°	Green		Fraction of a sec	None	Round	App 1/8 size of full moon	Very high rate of speed	Disappeared west of Jemez Mts.	[redacted] b5
64	7 May	2025 2105	4	[redacted] b5	Camp Hood, Texas	SE	1300'		Green-white	None	40 mts	None	Diamond shape	5 mils width	Covered 15 mils in 40 mins horiz.	Dimmed and went out	[redacted] b5
65	7 May	1940	1	[redacted] b5	Camp Hood, Texas	N and E	1000'		Reddish greenish white	None	57 sec	None	Diamond shape	3 mils width	Covered 20 mils in 57 secs horiz.	Dimmed and went out	[redacted] b5
66	8 May	2008 2017	1	[redacted] b5	Camp Hood, Texas	N and E	1500'		Reddish greenish white	None	9 mts	None	Diamond	2 mils width	10 mils in 9 mts	Dimmed and went out	[redacted] b5
67	8 May	0930 1100	4	[redacted] b5	Tucson, Arizona	W, 90° turn to the N	4000 to 20,000	Horizontal then rapid climb at 45° angle	White	None	10-20 mts	None	Metallic circular	40-75' in in diameter	Motionless to faster than jet	Climbed at 45° angle until out of sight	[redacted] b5

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57	1949 28 Apr	App 1745	3	[redacted] b5	Tucson, Arizona	NE to SE or SW			Silver	None	12 - 40 mts	None	Cigar or sausage shape	From B-29 to a city block	300 - 600 mph	Faded from view	[redacted] b5
58	30 Apr	2215	1	[redacted] b5	Albuquerque, New Mexico	E to W	59° above horizon		Blue green	None	2 secs 20	None	Round	Tenth of moon	2 seconds 2 degrees	Went out	[redacted] b5
59	3 May	2143	1	[redacted] b5	Los Alamos, New Mexico	S to N	10° - 15° above horizon		Bright white light		10 secs	None			Very fast up to 1,000 mph		[redacted] b5
60	3 May	2126 2143 2205	1	[redacted] b5	Los Alamos, New Mexico	S to N	10° - 15° above horizon		White		5 - 7 secs each time	None		Large - similar to size of airplane landing lights	Very fast		[redacted] b5
61	3 May	2126 2140	1	[redacted] b5	Los Alamos, New Mexico	SSE to NNW	10° - 15° above horizon		2126- white 2140- red		5 sec 1st; 2 sec 2nd	None		2126-baseball diamond lights, 2140- slightly larger than firebox lights	Same speed as aircraft landing		[redacted] b5

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51	1949 12 Apr	1930	1	[redacted] 65	Albuquerque, New Mexico	SE to NW	20° above horizon		White	None	8 secs	None	Round	1/8 size of moon	15° in 8 secs	Extinguished	[redacted] 65
52	15 Apr	1630	1	[redacted] 65	El Paso, Texas	Straight up	About 30°		Gray-ish	Yes	15 mts	None	Thin smoke trail	Very thin		Dissipated	[redacted] 65
53	18 Apr	0140	2	[redacted] 65	Flagstaff & Williams, Arizona	NW	App 12,000' to one. 75 - 100 miles to other observer		Greenish blue		1 - 2 secs	None	Ball like	100 watt light bulb		Disappeared behind obstacle	[redacted] 65
54	22 Apr	0905	1	[redacted] 65	Cliff, New Mexico	W to E	20° dropping slowly		Aluminum	None	2 mts	None	Round, flat thin, disc-shape	Over 15' in diameter		Disappeared behind mountains	[redacted] 65
55	24 Apr	1033	5	[redacted] 65	White Sands, New Mexico	[illegible]	25-29°		White light yellow		50 secs	None	Ellipsoid		Tremendous rate of speed	Disappeared due to distance	[redacted] 65
56	27 Apr	[illegible]	2	[redacted] 65	Springer, New Mexico	2 groups going W 2 groups going E	Well above 30,000'		Silvery white	None	4 grps totaling about 20 sec	Yes	Round	Very small	Very fast well above speed of sound.	Disappeared from view	[redacted] 65

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Reported by the 17th District Office of Special Investigations (IG), Kirtland Air Force Base, New Mexico

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1	1949 31 Jan	2200	1	[redacted] b5	Point of impact on line between Brest and Kiev	Almost vertical descent followed by "bouncing" N to S		35° above horizon Descending	Brilliant white		2 - 3 secs.	None		Compare w/planet Venus on unusually clear night.		Disap
2	Letter part 1947	Appr. 2000	1	[redacted] b5	Vaughn, New Mexico		200' - 300'	Descending slowly in vertical manner	Bright white			None	Round	Larger than basketball	Descending slowly	[illegible]
3	1948 27 Jul	0830 0845	1	[redacted] b5	Albuquerque, New Mexico				Duraluminum reflected light			None	Flat and round		Stationary at times	
4	4 Aug	0200 & 0300	2 b6	[redacted]	North Powder, Oregon	NW to SE	3500'	Horizontal line	Green					Softball	720 mph	Extinguished

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LEGEND:
*Reliability of Observers: VR - Very Reliable   R - Reliable   Unk - Unknown Reliability

(1) "Green Fireball Phenomena"   (2) "Flash" or Variation   (3) Probable Meteor

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44	1949 27 Mar	1015	1	[redacted] 65	Tucumcari, New Mexico	E to W	Close to 45° above horizon		Bright orange	None	15 mins	None	Long & narrow			Faded out of sight in distance	[redacted] 65
[illegible]	27 Mar	1300	1	[redacted] 65	Tucumcari, New Mexico	E to W	60° above horizon		Orange fire	None	15 mts	None	Like kite tail	About size of C-47 at 10,000 ft.		Disappeared behind hills	[redacted] 65
46	31 Mar	2130	1	[redacted] 65	Camp Hood, Texas	SW	Est. 5,000'		Fire red to white	Yes		None	[illegible] ball	App. size of basket-ball			[redacted] 65
47	5 Apr	2200	1	[redacted] 65	Los Alamos, New Mexico	S to N	Apr. 500' above S slope of Pajarito Mt.	Arc	Green w/red after glow		1/2 - 1 sec	None			Tremendous speed	Disappeared behind mountain	[redacted] 65
48	6 Apr	1205	1	[redacted] 65	Los Alamos, New Mexico	SE	About 15,000'		Between dk & lt green		3 - 5 secs	None			Very fast		[redacted] 65
49	7 Apr	0135	1	[redacted] 65	Los Alamos, New Mexico	W	About 200 yds fr top of hill		Green		App 45 secs	None			Moved very slowly		[redacted] 65
50	7 Apr	0100	1	[redacted] 65	Los Alamos, New Mexico	S to N			Green		3 secs	None			Moving slowly		[redacted] 65

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35	1949 7 Mar	1010	1	[redacted] 65	Window Rock, Arizona	W	40 - 45° to horizon		Red (fire) in center shading to blue at edge	Yes	6-8 secs	None	Ball round-spherical	3' in diameter	200-300 mph	Disintegrated	[redacted] 65
36	8 Mar	1836	1	[redacted] 65	Los Alamos, New Mexico	S to N	12,000' to 15,000'	Horizontal	Bright white with greenish tint		1-2 secs	None			App 300 mph	Either went out or disappeared behind cloud	[redacted] 65
37	8 Mar	1635	1	[redacted] 65	Los Alamos, New Mexico	S to N	4,000 above terrain	Descending at 45° angle	Intense white light aluminum colored		Very short	None	Elliptical pointed at ends		Slower than twin-engined plane	Disappeared behind trees	[redacted] 65
38	8 Mar	0105	1	[redacted] 65	Camp Hood, Texas	From S 50° E to S 54° E	From 50° above horizon to 54° above	Traveled in arc	Pale white light	Yes		None	Roundish head w/hazy smoke trail				[redacted] 65

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96	1949 10 Aug	2035	1	[redacted] 65	Camp Hood, Texas	E to S		Level flight	Yellow to orange	Yes	1 - 2 secs	None		Like headlight of old car	60° in 2 secs	Cut out	[redacted] 65
97	10 Aug	2035 2207 2220 2240	[illegible]	[redacted] 65	Camp Hood, Texas	W to E	30° - 45° above horizon	Level flight	White	Yes	3 - 4 secs	None	Round w/tail	Large flare	Greater speed than plane	Burned out	[redacted] 65
98	10 Aug	2040	14	[redacted] 65	Camp Hood, Texas	N to S	30° above horizon	Horizontal w/slight arc	Orange w/white tail	Yes	3 - 5 secs	None	Rocket	20 mm. tracer ammo.	Very great similar to falling star	Light gradually diminished	[redacted] 65
99	10 Aug	2100	[illegible]	[redacted] 65	Killeen Base, Texas	S	30° above horizon going up	Continued climbing at 30° angle until disappearance	Bright orange	Yes	5 secs	None	Reddish ball with long firey tail	Head size		Disappeared	[redacted] 65
100	10 Aug	2100 2120 2215 2250	[illegible]	[redacted] 65	Camp Hood, Texas		40° - 70° above horizon	#1, 3 & 4 almost horizontal #2 almost vertical	White with orange	Yes	1 sec for each one	None	Round with trail	Large star	Great speed	Went out like a light	[redacted] 65

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1	1949 10 Aug	2200 2230	1	[redacted] b5	Camp Hood, Texas	S to N	30° above horizon	Level flight	White w/yellow trail	Yes	1 - 2 secs	None	Oval	Size of shooting star	300 mph or faster	Faded out	[redacted] b5
2	10 Aug	2240	1	[redacted] b5	Camp Hood, Texas	N to S	8,000' or more	Straight flight with gradual incline	Light red diminishing to light yellow	Yes	2 - 3 secs	None	Round w/jagged trail	Much larger than evening star		Burned up and disintegrated	[redacted] b5
103	11 Aug	2030 2045 2052 2105 0010	Sev	[redacted] b5	Camp Hood, Texas	N to S	45 - 60° above horizon	Generally a level flight	White	Yes	3 - 5 secs	None	Flash like a rocket or training flare	Star size	Faster than any plane observed	Went out like a light	[redacted] b5
	12 Aug	0010	2	[redacted] b5	Killeen Base, Texas	Due W in arc	45° above horizon	Straight & level flight w/ascent descent describing arc	Bluish white	Yes	10 secs	None	Broken circle resembling signal flare	Head size		Sudden disappearance	[redacted] b5

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85	1949 6 Aug	2000	1	[redacted] b5	Las Cruces, New Mexico	E to W			Bluish green	Yes	1 - 2 secs	None	Round	Bigger than falling star		Disappeared behind building	[redacted] b5
86	6 Aug	2000	1	[redacted] b5	Las Cruces, New Mexico	E to W	3°28" to 9°40" above horizon	Curve going up then foll in almost vertical direction	Reddish blue & green	Yes	4 - 5 secs	None	Round	App 6" in diameter		Disappeared gradually	[redacted] b5
87	6 Aug	2000	1	[redacted] b5	Alamogordo, New Mexico	Vertical	2°20" to 7°35" above horizon	Straight vertical flight	Bright white slight reddish cast	Non	3 secs	None	Round	½ size of moon		Exploded then pieces died out	[redacted] b5
88	6 Aug	2000 2005	1	[redacted] b5	Alamogordo, New Mexico	E to W	2°4" to 12°7" above horizon	10° off vertical	White		2 secs	None		Large as auto spotlight at arm's length		Disappeared behind building	[redacted] b5
89	6 Aug	2015	1	[redacted] b5	Alamogordo, New Mexico	SW		Straight flight app 20° vertical decline	Whitish yellow (red trail)	Yes	1 sec	None	Round	Twice size normal falling star	Extremely fast - twice as fast as falling star	Disappeared behind mountain	[redacted] b5

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90	1949 6 Aug	2030	1	[redacted] b5	Alamogordo, New Mexico	N		Constant slight curve earthward	White (bluish)	Yes	1 sec	None	Round	App smaller than clenched fist	Similar to falling star	Went out	[redacted] 65
91	6 Aug	2020	1	[redacted] b5	Albuquerque, New Mexico	Descending to earth vertically	15° above horizon	Descending to earth vertically	Green	None	1 - 1½ secs	None	Round to pear shape	500 watt bulb about 1/5 mile away	10° in 1½ secs at 2 miles	Dissipated	[redacted] 65
92	6 Aug	2000	1	[redacted] b5	White Sands, New Mexico		40° above horizon	Straight line to earth	Observer color blind	None	1 sec	None	Round	Half size of finger-nail at arm's length	Slightly faster than ordinary falling star	Disappeared behind sand dune	[redacted] 65
93	6 Aug	2000	1	[redacted] b5	Alamogordo, New Mexico	200°	30° above horizon	Long slow curve to earth	Bluish green	Yes	1 sec	None	Round	Tip of thumb at arm's length		Burned out	[redacted] 65
94	10 Aug	0010	2	[redacted] b5	Killeen Base, Texas	E to W	30° angle headed down	30° angle headed donw	Blue	Yes	3 - 4 secs	None	Oval	Head size		Sudden disappearance ance	[redacted] 65
95	10 Aug	2030	1	[redacted] b5	Killeen Base, Texas	N to S	30° above horizon		White	Yes	5 secs	None	Similar to comet			Disappeared	[redacted] 65

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	1949 30 Aug	2300	1	[redacted] b5	Los Alamos, New Mexico	Almost straight fall	50° over- overhead	Almost straight fall	Bright green w/reddish tail	Yes	1 - 2 secs	None		Much larger than meteor		Burned out	[redacted] b5
111	15 Sep	0025	1	[redacted] b5	Albuquerque, New Mexico		30° above horizon		Yellow red		6 secs	None	Round	Size of baseball		Burst & appeared to disintegrate	[redacted] b5
112	16 Sep	0230	1	[redacted] b5	Los Alamos, New Mexico	W to E	3,000'	Horizontal	Orange	None	15 secs	None	Ball shape	Larger than falling star	Faster than airplane slower than falling star	Dimmed then disappeared completely	[redacted] b5
[illegible]	16 Sep	2015	1	[redacted] b5	Sandia Base, New Mexico	N to S	45° above horizon		Dark yellow	None	3 - 4 secs	None	Round	Size of baseball		Unknown	[redacted] b5
114	19 Sep	0900	2	[redacted] b5	Tucson, Arizona	N	App 4000'		Grayish white	None	2 mts	None		2 to 3 ft across	600 mph	Faded from view	[redacted] b5
115	27 Sep	0300	1	[redacted] b5	Sandia Base, New Mexico	From SE	45° above horizon	Traveling tangent to earth	Bright blue to white	None	4 secs	None	Round	About size of softball at 300 yds.	45° in 4 secs.	Obscured by building	[redacted] b5
116	27 Sep	0300	1	[redacted] b5	Sandia Base, New Mexico	To the N	10° above horizon		Yellow	Yes	3 - 4 secs	None	Round	Size of baseball at 25 yds.	Same rate as shooting star	Died out	[redacted] b5

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117	1949 27 Sep	0300	1	[redacted] b5	Sandia Base, New Mexico	SE to NW	15° - 20° above horizon	Traveling in arc toward earth	Bright green	None	2 secs	None	Round	Same size as perimeter fence light at distance of about 200 yds.	45° in 2 secs.	Brightened then went out	[redacted] b5
118	27 Sep	0130	1	[redacted] b5	Sandia Base, New Mexico	S to N	20° above horizon	Made a gentle arc toward earth	Dark blue	Yes	2 secs	None	Conicle w/tail twice its diameter	Looked like a sky rocket	50° in 2 secs.	Burnt out	[redacted] b5
119	27 Sep	0130	1	[redacted] b5	Sandia Base, New Mexico		45° above horizon	Moving tangent to earth	Green	None	1 sec	None	Round	Fist at arm's length	20° in 1 sec	Burnt out	[redacted] b5
120	30 Sep	2257	1	[redacted] b5	Sandia Base, New Mexico	S to W	50° to horizon		Yellow orange	None	2 - 3 secs	None		Slightly larger than shooting star	200 - 300 mph		[redacted] b5
121	2 Oct	2110	1	[redacted] b5	Los Alamos, New Mexico		20,000 - 30,000'	Went up & then down	Bright green	Yes	3 secs						[redacted] b5
122	3 Oct	1715	1	[redacted] b5	Mescalero, New Mexico		15½° above horizon	Descended in slight arc	Dark green	None	30 secs	None	Round	Big ball		Disappeared behind hills	[redacted] b5

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123	1949 6 Oct	1800 1845	1	[redacted] b5	Mescalero, New Mexico		18° above horizon		Green	None	7 - 9 secs	None	Round	½ size of thumb at arm's length	Moving slowly	Disappeared behind a hill	[redacted] b5
124	6 Oct	1758	1	[redacted] b5	Alamogordo, New Mexico	E to W		Straight angular descent	Bluish white possibly lt. green tinge	None	4 secs	None	Circular	3 times the size of Jupiter or Venus	5° per sec.		[redacted] b5
125	6 Oct	1800	1	[redacted] b5	Alamogordo, New Mexico		4°2 [illegible] to 7°[illegible]		Green	None	5 - 6 secs	None	Round	Size of baseball at arm's length			[redacted] b5
126	6 Oct	1750	1	[redacted] b5	Albuquerque, New Mexico	E to W		Curved descent approaching vertical	Greenish white	None	1 sec	None	Similar to very flare	½ size of thumb at arm's length		Abrupt	[redacted] b5
127	6 Oct	1750	1	[redacted] b5	Wagon Mound, New Mexico	E to W		Horizontal	Greenish white	None	3 - 4 secs	None	Round	1½" - 2" in diameter	App. that of meteor	Went out like like electric light	[redacted] b5
128	6 Oct	1750	1	[redacted] b5	Albuquerque, New Mexico	NE to SW		At tail end of its course it arched over and fell	Brilliant green	None	10 secs	None	Tear drop			Seemed to burn out	[redacted] b5

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129	1949 7 Oct	2120	1	[redacted] b5	Albuquerque, New Mexico	Straight vertical drop	35° above horizon		Yellow to green	None	1 sec	None	Round	Half a moon	Dropped 15° in 1 sec	Behind Sandia Mountains	[redacted] b5
130	10 Oct	0406	1	[redacted] b5	Los Alamos, New Mexico	SE to NE	3,000' above observation pt.	Parallel to surface of earth	Brilliant white	Yes	4 – 5 secs	None		Small	Appeared to be slower than a meteor	Disappeared	[redacted] b5
131	10 Oct	0107	1	[redacted] b5	Sandia Base, New Mexico	W to E	45° above horizon		Bluish green	Yes	15 secs	None	Round	Size of fist at arm's length	Slow	Died out	[redacted] b5
132	10 Oct	0107	1	[redacted] b5	Sandia Base, New Mexico	SW to NE	45° above horizon	Executed dives	Greenish blue w/red sparks trailing	Yes	4 secs	None	Round	Size of fist at arm's length	Slow	Faded out	[redacted] b5
133	10 Oct	0107	1	[redacted] b5	Sandia Base, New Mexico	N to NE	45° above horizon		Green	None	15 secs	None	Round	Size of fist at arm's length	Slow	Burned out	[redacted] b5
134	11 Oct	2010	0	[redacted] b5	Roswell, New Mexico	Appeared moving to N & angling slightly to E		Maneuvered up & down	Light green turned orange	Yes	45 mts	None	Round	Size of baseball			[redacted] b5

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135	1949 11 Oct	1045 1100	2	[redacted] b5	Alamogordo, New Mexico	NW to SE	If size of B-29 appeared to be 150,000'		White	None	10-15 secs	None	Round dish shape	2" in diameter at arm's length	Very fast compared w/falling star	Faded from view	[redacted] b5
136	12 Oct	1115	3	[redacted] b5	Roswell, New Mexico	S to NE	3,500'	Smooth arc	White (silver)	None	45-60 secs	None	Round probably elliptical		Faster than jet aircraft	Went beyond range of vision	[redacted] b5
137	12 Oct	1115	3	[redacted] b5	Alamogordo, New Mexico	Appeared from S & veered off to NE	If size of B-29 appeared to be 35,000'	Smooth arc	White or aluminum	None	45-60 secs	None	Round ball	35,000' 4" in diameter	1,500 mph	Faded from view	[redacted] b5
38	12 Oct	1340	4	[redacted] b5	Tucson, Arizona	From NE to SW	30,000'	Horizontal	White or silver	None	15 secs	None	Round	50 - 100' in diameter	1,000 mph	Faded from view	[redacted] b5
139	14 Oct	1420	3	[redacted] b5	Los Alamos, New Mexico	W to E	20,000'	Level flight just above horizon	Greenish blue-white trail	Yes	2 secs	None	Round	Appeared as a 12" disc		Burned out	[redacted] b5

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140	1949 14 Oct	2021	2	[redacted] 65	Albuquerque, New Mexico	N to S		Horizontal	Red orange	Yes	10 secs	None	Round	1/3 - 1/4 size of moon		Broke into 2 pieces & disappeared	[redacted] 65
141	14 Oct	1410 1415	1	[redacted] 65	Los Alamos, New Mexico	S to N			Front-green & silver Rear - Pale blue	Yes	3 - 4 secs	None		1/8 size of full moon	500 mph or more		[redacted] 65
142	21 Oct	2130	1	[redacted] 65	Roswell, New Mexico	SE to NW	30° above horizon		Very bright white	None	20-30 mts	None			Unknown		[redacted] 65
143	22 Oct	0228	1	[redacted] 65	Los Alamos New Mexico	NW to SE	On horizon		Bright green		2 secs	None		4 times size of a flare	150 mph	Disappeared behind a hill	[redacted] 65
144	22 Oct	0220	1	[redacted] 65	Los Alamos, New Mexico	Vertical	50 - 100 ft.		Green		1 sec	None	Like flare	Small		Went out	[redacted] 65
145	1[illegible] Nov	1950	1	[redacted] 65	Los Alamos, New Mexico	Disappeared to N			2 objects bluish green			None			Stationary but disappeared with speed of meteor	Disappeared from view	[redacted] 65
146	19 Nov	2152	1	[redacted] 65	Los Alamos, New Mexico	Vertical			Green then yellow		2 secs	None					[redacted] 65

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147	1949 19 Nov	2152	1	[redacted] b5	Los Alamos, New Mexico	Vertical			Green		2 secs	None					[redacted] 65
148	25 Nov	2000	5	[redacted] b5	Los Alamos, New Mexico	E to W	15° - 10° above horizon	Downward 10° from the horizontal	Yellowish green		2 secs	None				Disappeared behind mt.	[redacted] 65
149	27 Nov	1800	1	[redacted] b5	McIntosh, New Mexico	Vertical	Less than 2,000'	Vertical descent	Green	None	1 sec	None	Shaped like a flare	Same as a signal flare	Same as falling signal flare	Same as signal flare	[redacted] 65
150	27 Nov	1730	1	[redacted] b5	Winslow, Arizona	E to W	30° above horizon		Bright blue-white	Yes	3 - 4 secs	None	Egg shape	Egg held at arm's length	3 - 4 secs to cover 15° - 20° of horizon	Dwindled out	[redacted] 65
151	27 Nov	1749	1	[redacted] b5	Albuquerque, New Mexico	E to W	3° - 5° above horizon	Slowing descent	Blue-white	None	1 - 2 secs	None	Round	Pencil eraser at arm's length	5° - 7° in 1 or 2 secs	Went out then on then out again	[redacted] 65
152	27 Nov	1749	1	[redacted] b5	Socorro, New Mexico	E to W	10° -40° above horizon	Arc	Pale green to pale blue	Yes	5 secs	None	Round	Quite large	Slower than meteor	Faded out gradually	[redacted] 65

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---	1949 3 Dec	1805	1	[redacted] 65	Alamogordo, New Mexico	E to W		In an arc downward	Green fringe of orange light	None	2 secs	None	Circular	Somewhat larger than Venus		Disappeared behind building	[redacted] 65
154	4 Dec	1935	1	[redacted] 65	Albuquerque, New Mexico	E to W		Nearly horizontal	Green	None	2 - 3 secs	None	Round	Marble at arm's length		Went out like a candle	[redacted] 65
155	4 Dec	1935	2	[redacted] 65	Los Alamos, New Mexico	E to NE		Sloping descent	Green		1/5 sec	Yes	Round			Disappeared behind mt.	[redacted] 65
156	5 Dec	1930 1945	3	[redacted] 65	Carrizozo, New Mexico		40° above horizon	In dive	Blue-green			None	Tear-drop		Very slow	Disappeared	[redacted] 65
	5 Dec	2240	1	[redacted] 65	Tularosa, New Mexico	E to W		Smooth arc downward	Blue w/yellowish red toward tail	Yes	1 sec	None	Streak of light	Appeared little longer than length of lead pencil at 6'		Appeared to hit ground near Tularosa, New Mexico	[redacted] 65
159	9 Dec	1330	1	[redacted] 65	Farmington, New Mexico	Dropping vertically	500 ft.	Vertically down				None	Charred parachute or cargo net			Disappeared	[redacted] 65

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159	1949 13 Dec	2005	3	[redacted] b5	Alamogordo, New Mexico	Stationary then began to move downward slowly and to right	5,000'		White amber red green	None	9 mts	None	Circular	1 - 1½ times size of average st. light at a distance of 6 miles		Object took on brilliant green color, picked up speed and faded from view	[redacted] b5
150	1950 5 Jan	2230	7	[redacted] b5	Alamogordo, New Mexico	E to W		Up & down and horizontal	White changed to green & red	None	45 mts	None	Star like	Slightly larger than planet Venus	Moved app. 15° to 20° from E to W during 45 mins it was observed	Stopped observation	[redacted] b5
151	7 Jan	2215	2	[redacted] b5	Corona, New Mexico	From SW to SE		Descending	Yellowish white orange blue gr.	Yes	10 secs	None	Round ball shape	Same as cup 6" in diameter at arm's length	Compared w/fast jet fighter	Disappeared behind mt. range	[redacted] b5
152	8 Jan	2225	1	[redacted] b5	Los Alamos, New Mexico		30° - 40° above horizon	Horizontal	Incandescent green	Yes	2 secs	None	Oval with trail			Disappeared behind trees	[redacted] b5

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163	1950 8 Jan	2220	1	[redacted] 65	Los Alamos, New Mexico	Due W	60° above horizon	Straight course	Bluish white	Yes	2 secs	None	Pointed	Appeared as a point	10° per second	Luminosity stopped suddenly	[redacted] 65
164	9 Jan	2225	1	[redacted] 65	Los Alamos, New Mexico		75° - 80° above horizon	Straight line	Greenish white	one	3 secs	None	Round	-4 to -6 compared to Jupiter	25° per second	Behind horizon	[redacted] 65
165	12 Jan	1900	3	[redacted] 65	Holloman, New Mexico	To W		Changed altitude erratically	White changed to green & red	None	5 mts	None	Star like	About same size of Venus		Discontinued watching	[redacted] 65
166	15 Jan	0605	3	[redacted] 65	Holloman AFB, New	E to W		Erratically up & down	White changed to green & red	None	Short time	None	Star like	About same size as Venus		Disappeared w/daylight	[redacted] 65
167	27 Jan	1715	1	[redacted] 65	Scullville, New Jersey	NW		Ascending at about 60° angle	White streak		30 mts				½ that of a firecracker rocket at close range	Faded gradually	[redacted] 65
168	7 Feb	1950 2015	2	[redacted] 65	Albuquerque, New Mexico	SSE to E	40° - 45° above horizon	Horizontal	Reddish green	Yes	4 - 6 secs	None	Round elongated trail	Twice size of evening star	About same as falling star	Faded out in atmosphere	[redacted] 65

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169	1950 7 Feb	1945 2000	2	[redacted] b5	Between Tucumcari & Kirtland AFB, New Mexico			Flat Trajectory	Fire-ball white	Yes	2 - 4 secs	None			Over 1,000 mph	Faded out suddenly	[redacted] b5
170	15 Feb	1530	1	[redacted] b5	Sandia Base, New Mexico	From NW to W	45° downward above horizon		Appeared red & green	Yes	30	None	Round	That of a normal marble	Like shooting star trail	Faded out	[redacted] b5
171	18 Feb	0510	5	[redacted] b5	Holloman AFB, New Mexico			Climbed	White and orange	None	1 hr 44 mts	None	Round to cone shape	Size of coffee cup at arm's length		Stopped observation	[redacted] b5
172	20 Feb	0550	2	[redacted] b5	Holloman AFB, New Mexico	Station-	1,000' above 5,000' mt.	Stationary	White	None	5 mts	None	Round	App size of ½ dollar held at arm's length	Stationary	Disappeared from view behind cloud	[redacted] b5
173	24 Feb	1535	1	[redacted] b5	Albuquerque, New Mexico	To W or SW	20° to 23° above horizon	Straight flight	White	None	1½ mts	None	Round	Compared in size to upper dark portion of moon as it rises in E	1½ mts. to oover 2?		[redacted] b6

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[illegible]	1950 [illegible]	1400	1	[redacted] b5	Albuquerque, New Mexico	E by SE	About 20° above horizon		Bright white	None	20-30 secs	None	Round	Compared w/size of weather balloon as it disappeared in distance	Very slow	Faded out of sight	[redacted] b5
[illegible]	[illegible] Feb	1930	1	[redacted] b5	Datil, New Mexico	NW			White changing to red & green.	Yes	2 hrs 30 mts	None	Round		1° per 2 mts.	Disappeared	[redacted] b5
[illegible]	24 Feb	[illegible]	1	[redacted] b5	Los Alamos, New Mexico	E then turned W	25,000-30,000'	Straight up	White, kept flashing like mirror in sun	None	20 mts	None			Very fast	Went straight up out of sight	[redacted] b5
[illegible]	24 [illegible]	[illegible]	1	[redacted] b5	Los Alamos, New Mexico	E to W W to E, then st. up	30,000'	Straight up	Silvery white	None	20 mts	None				Went straight up out of sight	[redacted] b5
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	1	[redacted] b5	Los Alamos, New Mexico	Erratic generally NE	20,000-30,000'		Silvery	None	15 mts	None	Saucer shaped	100' across if at 20,000-30,000'	As fast or faster than sound	Disappeared	[redacted] b5

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179	1950 24 Feb	Be-tween 1315 1400	1	[redacted] 65	Los Alamos, New Mexico	Circled then E	Consid-erable altitude		Alumi-num	Yes	2	None	Spher-ical	Rather large	Erratic	Unknown	
180	25 Feb	1545 1555	12	[redacted] 65	Los Alamos, New Mexico	Heading toward ground	30° - 35° above horizon		Flash-ing silver	None	3 secs to 2 mts	None	Circu-lar like plane fuse-lage	Small airplane	From very slow to very fast		
181	25 Feb	2115	1	[redacted] 65	Albuquerque, New Mexico	Toward S	App. 20° above horizon	Almost vertical	Bright [illegible] ish white	Yes	1½ secs	None	Tear-drop	3 times size of a shooting star	Slightly slower than falling star	Appeared to burn out	[redacted] 65
182	25 Feb	0200	1	[redacted] 65	Datil, New Mexico	NW			White chang-ing to [illegible] green	Yes	30 mts	None	Round		1° per 2 mts	Disappeared behind mountain	[redacted] 65
183	25 Feb	1410	1	[redacted] 65	Los Alamos, New Mexico	S to N	1 to 3 miles at 30° above horizon		Metal-lic	None	[illegible] mts	None	Oblong	10 - 15'	40 mph	Went below horizon	[redacted] 65

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184	1950 25 Feb	1545	1	[redacted] 65	Los Alamos, New Mexico	N to SWS	Very high		White to silver	None	30 secs	None	Circular	About size of 50¢ piece at its height	Very fast	Disappeared into glare of sun	[redacted] 65
185	25 Feb	1550	1	[redacted] 65	Los Alamos, New Mexico	S or SW	12,000'		Metallic	None	Few secs	None		As large or larger than average plane	Fast	Faded from view	[redacted] 65
186	25 Feb	1545 1555	14	[redacted] 65	Los Alamos, New Mexico	NE to SW	Overhead at from 4 to 10 miles	Traveled w/a fluttering motion	Silver	None	Few secs to 2 mts	None	Round	Vary from 4' to small airplane	Very fast 500 - 1500 mph		[redacted] 65
187	25 Feb	1655	1	[redacted] 65	Los Alamos, New Mexico	E to W			Shiny silver		10-15 secs	None	Round	About size of B-25 fuselage	Slow speed	Disappeared behind tree	[redacted] 65
188	10 Mar	1600 1630	6	[redacted] 65	Phoenix, Arizona	SE	40,000-50,000'	Moved upward at 60° angle	Aluminum or quick silver	Yes	10 mts	None	Oval or oblong	Size of [illegible]	Extremely high	Disappeared	[redacted] 65
189	5 Mar	1135 1300	4	[redacted] 65	Vaughn, New Mexico	Traveled 195°		Straight flight	White	None	1 hr 25 mts	None	Round	Ping pong ball at arm's length	180 to 200 mph	Ceased observation	[redacted] 65

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	1950 11 Mar	0100	1	[redacted] b5	Holloman AFB, New	App 270°	About 30° above horizon at distance of 50 miles	Straight flight	Changed from light orange to blood red to amber to light green	None	5 mts	None	Ping pong ball	Ping pong ball held at arm's length		Disappeared from view	[redacted] b5
191	16 Mar	1100	10	[redacted] b5	Farmington, New Mexico	N to NE		Turned on their axis & maneuvered up & down	Bright luminous as tin foil	None	3 - 5 mts	None	Flat spheroidic	1 to 6"	Faster than conventional aircraft	Discontinued observation	[redacted] b5
[illegible]	16 Mar	1000	10	[redacted] b5	Farmington, New Mexico	NE	Over 20,000'	Skyward at at 60°-80°	Bright aluminum	None	30 mts	None	Oval & oblong	1/16" - ½" held at arm's length	Faster than conventional aircraft	Gradually disappeared	[redacted] b5
193	17 Mar	0310	1	[redacted] b5	Los Alamos, New Mexico	Toward earth		Toward earth	Reddish then green	None	1 sec	None				Appeared to fall to earth	[redacted] b5
194	17 Mar	0300	1	[redacted] b5	Los Alamos, New Mexico	NE		Level flight	Greenish yellow	None	3 secs	None	Round	¼ size of full moon	Moderate	Like light going out	[redacted] b5

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Number	Date	Time	Number of Observers	*Reliability of Observers	General Area of Occurrence	Apparent Direction of Flight	Apparent Altitude	Course Horizontal to Vertical	Color	Train or Trail	Duration of Observation	Sound	Shape	Apparent Size	Apparent Speed	Manner of Disappearance	**Evaluation
	1950 17 Mar	0307	1	[redacted] 65	Los Alamos, New Mexico	Straight down		Straight down	Orange & green	Yes	2-2½ secs	None			Tremendous	Explosion on impact with earth or disintegration	[redacted] 65
196	17 Mar	0445	1	[redacted] 65	Los Alamos, New Mexico	Formed an arc		Formed an arc	Green	None	5 secs	None	Round	Quite small	Free fall	Fell toward earth	[redacted] 65
197	17 Mar	0310	1	[redacted] 65	Los Alamos, New Mexico			Seemed to climb, change color, start down & disappear	Green turning to yellow	None	5 secs	None	Spherical	¼ size of moon	Moderate	Suddenly	[redacted] 65
	17 Mar	0507	1	[redacted] 65	Los Alamos, New Mexico	Earthward		Earthward		Yes	3 secs	None	Round	¼ size of full moon	Extremely fast	Plunged to earth & 2 explosions were noted prior to disappearance	[redacted] 65
199	20 Mar	0115	1	[redacted] 65	Clovis, New Mexico	From WNW	Above 12,000'		White w/light blue	Yes	1 - 2 secs	None	Spherical		2,000 mph	Disappeared from view	[redacted] 65

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Number	Date	Time	Number of Observers	*Reliability of Observers	General Area of Occurrence	Apparent Direction of Flight	Apparent Altitude	Course Horizontal to Vertical	Color	Train or Trail	Duration of Observation	Sound	Shape	Apparent Size	Apparent Speed	Manner of Disappearance	**Evaluation
200	1950 21 Mar	1320	1	[redacted] 65	Sandia Base, New Mexico	E to SW	App 45° above horizon		2 objects silver	None	10 mts	None	Round	App size of dime at arm's length	Excessive to jet flight	Gradually faded from view	[redacted] 65
201	21 Mar	1200	1	[redacted] 65	Sandia Base, New Mexico	NE to SE	40,000-60,000'		Varied from shiny silver to shady gray	None	30 mts	None	Round	Size of end of thumb at arm's length	About same as jet aircraft	Disappeared	[redacted] 65
202	21 Mar	1315	1	[redacted] 65	Sandia Base, New Mexico	E	75° above horizon		White	None	5 mts	None	Round	Smaller than fist at arm's length	App. 600 - 700 mph	Disappeared from range of vision	[redacted] 65
203	21 Mar	1300 1330	4	[redacted] 65	Kirtland AFB, New	SE to S	40° - 50° above horizon	Zig-zag motion up & down	Bright silver	None	1 mt	None	Round	Size of dime at arm's length	About same as fast jet aircraft	Disappeared from range of vision	[redacted] 65
204	22 Mar	1100	11	[redacted] 65	Kirtland AFB, New Mexico	[illegible] changing to N	25,000 to 30,000'	Horizontal	Tan to brown	None	5 - 6 secs	None	Flying wing	About size of golf ball held at arm's length	Extremely high speed	Disappeared	[redacted] 65

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205	1950 22 Mar	0010	3	[redacted] 65	Sandia Base, New Mexico	SE to NW		Line parallel w/line tangent to the earth	Blue center with orange exterior	None	1½ - 3 secs	None	Round like ball from roman candle		1½ secs 30° azimuth	Burned out	[redacted] 65
206	1 Apr	0420	1	[redacted] 65	Los Alamos, New Mexico	S to N	75° above horizon		White light	None	1 sec or less	None	Round			Disappeared behind building	[redacted] 65
207	[illegible] Apr	1500	10	[redacted] 65	Los Alamos, New Mexico		2,000' above horizon	Maneuvered up & down & from side to side	Light green bright as tin foil	None	20-30 secs	None		1/16" at arm's length		Gradually went out of sight	[redacted] 65
[illegible]	[illegible]	1030	1	[redacted] 65	Los Alamos, New Mexico			Maneuvered up & down	Bright metallic	None	15-30 mts	None	Roughly circular	Est. 5' in diameter	Faster than conventional aircraft	Lost sight of object.	[redacted] 65
208	1 May	1510	2	[redacted] 65	Kirtland AFB, New	SW to NE	Apparently a few thousand feet	Was angling downward	Silver lucid metallic object	None	Not quite a sec	None	Cylindrical		Tremendous	Flash of brilliant white light	[redacted] 65

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105	1949 12 Aug	0446	1	[redacted] 65	Killeen Base, Texas	SE to NW	30° above horizon headed down	Headed down	Reddish	Yes	2 - 3 secs	Yes	Trail of flame	Fairly long streak of flame		Faded away	[redacted] 65
106	14 Aug	2135	1	[redacted] 65	Alamogordo, New Mexico		Appeared 25° Disappeared at 12°	10 - 15° off vertical	Reddish orange	Yes	2 secs	None	Round	Larger than Venus		Disappeared	[redacted] 65
107	20 Aug	2130	2	[redacted] 65	Douglas, Arizona	N to S	8,000' - 10,000'	Flat trajectory		None	6 - 10 secs	None	Round to oblong like inverted saucer	About size of single engine airplane	3500 to 4500 mph	Disappeared in distance	[redacted] 65
108	21 Aug	2115 2150	5	[redacted] 65	Nogales, Arizona		45° at low level 90° at high level	Horizontal to earth's surface	Dull orange	None	10 secs	None	Wafer	App size of volley ball	10 times speed of jet planes	Disappeared in space	[redacted] 65
109	25 Aug	1345	1	[redacted] 65	Davis-Monthan AFB, Arizona	SE to NW	App. 50,000	Horizontal at 50,000'	Brownish hazy color	None	60 secs		Similar to triangle with round edges	Est. to be app ¼ of inch when observed at 3 ft.	Terrific rate of speed	Faded from view	[redacted] 65

to move horizontally. However, a strictly vertical infall is also very rarely observed in the case of genuine meteor falls.

3. An analysis just completed of the time distribution of the green fireballs so far observed permits us to add an 11th item to the list of differences given in paragraph 1 above. The graph of frequency versus local time which accompanies the present report shows that the maximum frequency of sighting of green fireballs (occurring at approximately 2030) coincides in time with neither the frequency maximum for ordinary meteors (occurring at approximately 0300) nor the frequency maximum for meteorite falls (occurring at approximately 1500).

4. Inspection of the graph referred to in paragraph 3 also will show that most of the green fireballs have been sighted in a time interval extending from about 5 p.m. to 11 p.m. (MST). This concentration might be even more pronounced if it were possible to screen out of the secondary maximum, around 2 a.m. (MST), all ordinary meteors which have been mistakenly identified as green fireballs. That such misidentification has occurred is strongly suggested by the near coincidence in time of the secondary maximum of the green fireballs and the well established early morning maximum of the ordinary meteors.

5. Some significance may attach to the fact that the time interval alluded to in paragraph 4 extends from about 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Ural region of the USSR. Since missiles moving with velocities of the order of those found for the green fireballs for which real path determinations have been possible would travel from the southern Urals to New Mexico in less than 15 minutes, a possible interpretation of the concentration of sightings referred to in paragraph 4 is that the green fireballs result from guided missiles launched from bases in the Urals in the morning hours before cloudiness due to convection or blinding afternoon dust storms can interfere with non-radar tracking, such as has been used by the Optical Trajectory Section at White Sands Proving Ground.

6. There is also a pronounced concentration of green fireball incidents on the four days, Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Monday, almost all of the most widely observed incidents having occurred on Saturday or Sunday.

7. It is a curious and fairly well-established fact that there has been a distinct decline in the number of green fireball sightings during the last two months, within which the number of so-called "flying saucer" incidents in this region has attained an all-time high.

8. Although I have recently received from Dr. Joseph Kaplan of the Scientific Advisory Board a letter containing the statement "Frankly, I don't know of any U. S. experiments that would result in the appearance of these unconventional objects, and neither does Von Karman". I still

consider the most probable explanation of the green fireballs to be the one given in the first of the three paragraphs below which are quoted from my letter of 1950, February 20, to Dr. [illegible], Chief Atmospheric Physics Laboratory, Base Directorate for Geophysical Research. The last two paragraphs quoted below well summarize my recommendations concerning the green fireball problem:

> "As a preliminary to setting down the project recommendations which you requested, I have very carefully reviewed all available fireball data (observers' reports, transit measurements, calculated real paths, etc.) covering incidents from those of December 5, 1948 to the extraordinary incident of February 7, 1950, which has been under intensive investigation for the last two weeks. As a result of this comprehensive review, particularly as it relates to the incident of February 7, 1950, I feel compelled to write you in somewhat different terms concerning my own part in the proposed fireball project than I had in mind when we last discussed this matter. In brief, I have come to the conclusion that, on the basis of the evidence now available to me, I would not be justified in recommending a fireball project. In my opinion, this evidence proves conclusively that the fireballs reported on fall into one of two categories: Those of the first category (the majority) are meteorite falls of unusual, but certainly not of impossible, magnitude, frequency and other characteristics; those of the second category (the minority) are U. S. guided missiles undergoing tests in the neighborhoods of the sensitive installations they are designed to defend. This interpretation of the latter category is the one that I proposed in answer to a question raised by Dr. Teller at the first Los Alamos conference on February 17, 1949. It was not taken seriously then and I doubt that it will be taken seriously at the present time. However, even if my interpretation of the unconventional fireballs is the correct one, it is obvious that those in position to confirm it should refuse to do so."
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> "Only one other point need be stressed, namely, that if I am wrong in interpreting the guided missiles as of U. S. origin, then certainly intensive, systematic investigation of these objects should not be delayed until the termination of the present academic year. Recent international developments compel one to sense the imperative necessity of immediate investigation of the unconventional green fireballs, in case you are in possession of information proving that they are not U. S. missiles."
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> "If such an immediate investigation were to be undertaken, I would recommend that Dr. Fred L. Whipple, of Harvard College Observatory, be placed in charge of the photographic phase of the investigation; that Dr. Peter M. Millman, of the Dominion Observatory, be placed in charge of the spectrographic phase of the investigation;

that Dr. L. A. Manning, of Stanford, and Dr. Millman be placed in charge of the radar investigation; and, finally, that Dr. William Crozier, of the New Mexico School of Mines, be placed in charge of dust collection and identification. On the basis of many intensive field surveys, I do not anticipate that ground search will lead to any recoveries, but in case such ground search is to be attempted, it should be carried out on the scale stressed in my conversations with you and Major Oder last month."

9. Although the above paragraphs were written some months ago, the recommendations contained in them are the ones I would urge you to consider at the present time. In conclusion, I should like to repeat the offer made at the end of my letter of February 20 to Dr. Wyckoff, namely to serve, if needed, as consultant on the green fireball project as suggested in Major Oder's letter to me under date of November 29, 1949, with the stipulation, however, that my service be on a voluntary basis rather than on the $40 per day contract specified in Major Oder's letter.

Lincoln LaPaz

Lincoln LaPaz, Director
Institute of Meteoritics
University of New Mexico

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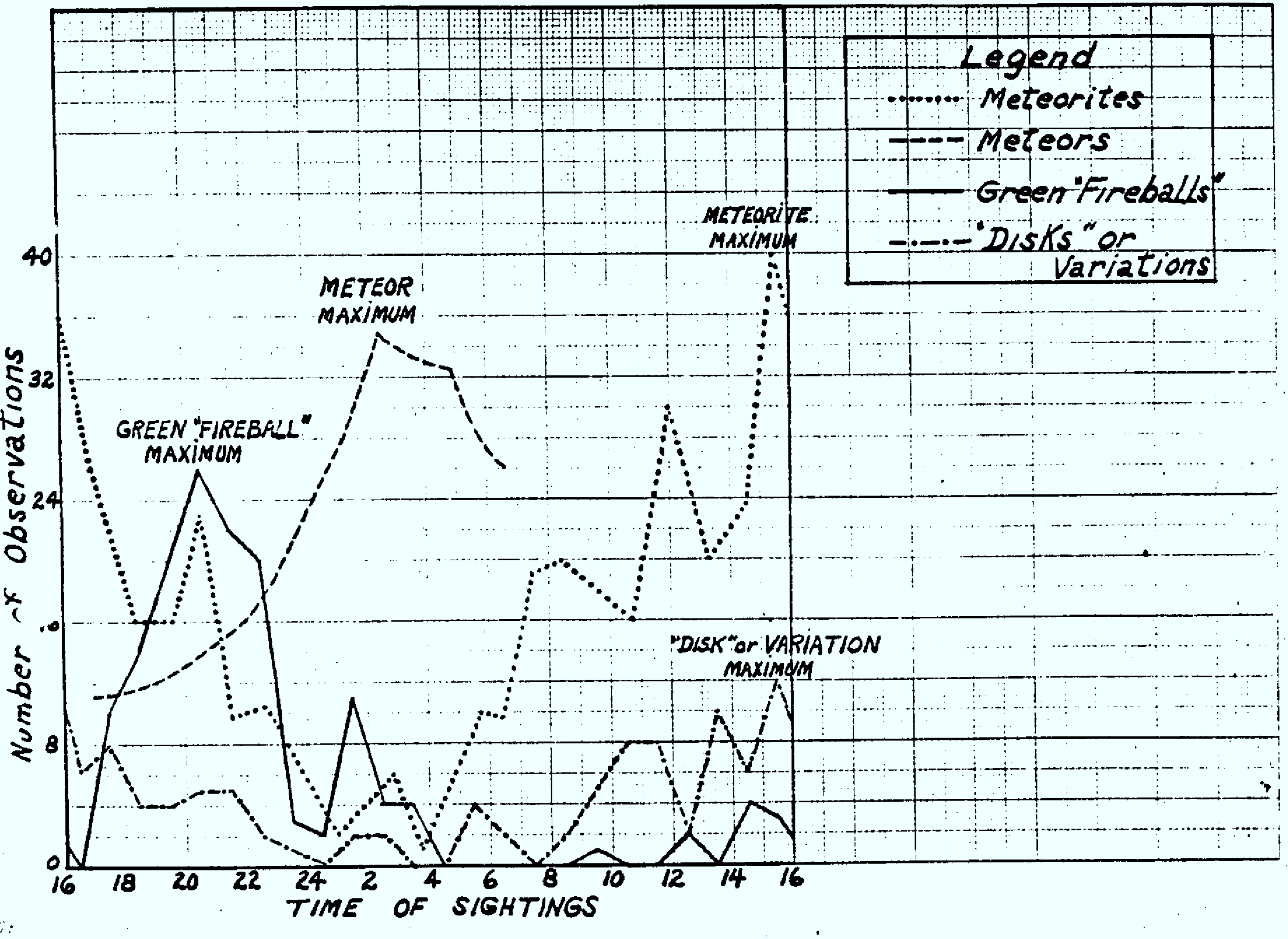

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DIRECTOR, FBI **URGENT**

Flying Saucer

RADAR DETECTION OF UNIDENTIFIED OBJECTS OVER OAK RIDGE OCTOBER TWELVE, NINETEEN FIFTY, PROTECTION OF VITAL INSTALLATIONS. USAF RADAR INSTALLATION AT KNOXVILLE AT ELEVEN TWENTYFIVE PM, EST, OCTOBER TWELVE, PICKED UP INDICATIONS OF ELEVEN OBJECTS AND PERHAPS MORE TRAVELING ACROSS CONTROLLED AREA OF ATOMIC ENERGY INSTALLATION AT OAK RIDGE. ALTITUDE OF OBJECTS VARIED FROM ONE THOUSAND TO FIVE THOUSAND FEET, COURSES FROM SOUTH SOUTH EAST TO SOUTHEAST, AND DENSITY FROM READING MADE BY LIGHT AIRCRAFT TO AIRCRAFT EQUAL IN SIZE TO C FORTY SEVEN, SPEED FROM ONE HUNDRED TO ONE HUNDRED TWENTYFIVE MILES PER HOUR. FIGHTER PLANE ATTEMPTED TO INTERCEPT IN FEW MINUTES AND RADAR SCREEN REFLECTED CONTACT, BUT PLANE REPORTED NO OBJECT COULD BE SEEN EITHER VISUALLY OR ON PLANES RADAR SCREEN. AEC PATROL WAS ALERTED BUT NO OBJECTS COULD BE VISUALLY SIGHTED BY THEM OVER THE AREA OTHER THAN THE AIR FORCE INTERCEPTOR. OSI AND EASTERN AIR DEFENSE FORCES HAVE BEEN ADVISED AND ARE CHECKING INCIDENT. NO REASONABLE EXPLANATION FOR RADAR READINGS YET DEVELOPED ALTHOUGH OPERATORS ARE EXPERIENCED RELIABLE PERSONNEL AND RADAR SET IS IN PERFECT OPERATING CONDITION. BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED OF FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS.

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RADAR DETECTION OF UNIDENTIFIED
OBJECTS OVER OAK RIDGE, October 12,
15, 16, 1950
PROTECTION OF VITAL INSTALLATIONS
Flying Saucers

Remytel October 13, 1950.

There is being submitted herewith a copy of two reports made by District Representative of the OSI, 8th District, U. S. Air Force, with regard to the detection of unidentified objects by the means of radar, as set forth in referenced teletype. These reports continue to set forth additional reports concerning unidentified objects in the air space area over Oak Ridge, Tennessee, which to date have not been explained.

No investigation is being conducted by the Knoxville Office in this matter, but any further information received from OSI or from CIC representatives will be forwarded immediately.

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Transmit the following message to: SAC, LOS ANGELES

FLYING SAUCERS. YOU ARE INSTRUCTED TO DISCREETLY DETERMINE THROUGH APPROPRIATE RELIABLE SOURCES OF YOUR OFFICE WHETHER [redacted] AUTHOR OF THE BOOK QUOTE [redacted] [redacted] UNQUOTE IS IDENTICAL TO THE [redacted] WHO HAS BEEN ACTIVELY ENGAGED IN COMMUNIST ACTIVITIES SINCE THE LATE NINETEEN THIRTIES IN THE TERRITORY OF YOUR OFFICE.

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OFLYING DISCS

My theory of the flying saucer is:

It gets its power from electricity generated by a gen' generator. The generator is run from a revolving disc, there fore giving the flying saucers a disc like appearance.

By the use of gears the revolving disc is able to generate 10 or 20 times more power than is needed.

The faster the disc goes, the more power. By use of the new light weigh electric motors, there is less weight, and less space taken.

The revolving disc is in side of a light shell. Foreward motion of ship allows disc to revolve, generating elect power.

This way, the flying disc could fly f almost any length of time.

Compressed air could be used to start power disc.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: October 2, 1950

FROM : SAC, PHILADELPHIA

ATTENTION: MR. [redacted]

SUBJECT: FLYING DISC REPORTED AT PHILADELPHIA ON 9/26/50

FLYING SAUCERS

During the late evening hours of September 26, 1950, two Philadelphia police officers observed a peculiar phenomenon on Vare Boulevard near 26th Street when they saw a round object about six feet in circumference slowly float down to the ground.

The object had the appearance of a parachute and landed in a field, it being so light it did not even depress the weeds in the field. The object was lavender in color, described by the officers as dewy, sort of like soap suds, and evaporating within fifteen or twenty minutes after it landed. When touched by the officers, the substance composing the object disappeared, leaving nothing but a slight sticky substance.

This matter was reported to this office by the Philadelphia Police and for that matter, was subsequently carried in the Philadelphia press as "Flying Saucer Just Dissolves".

Mr. [redacted] of the Bureau was telephonically advised of the above by this office and issued instructions that the matter should be referred to Air Force Intelligence for handling and any investigation. Accordingly, Major [redacted] of the Philadelphia Office of OSI was telephonically advised of the above and no further action was taken by this office.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : THE DIRECTOR

DATE: October 9, 1950

FROM : MR. D. M. LADD

SUBJECT: FLYING SAUCERS
FLYING DISCS
GREEN FIREBALLS

PURPOSE

To advise you of the most recent information known to the Bureau concerning the captioned aerial phenomena.

BACKGROUND

You will recall that on August 23, 1950, I furnished to you a memorandum regarding Project Twinkle set up by the Department of the Air Force, with the assistance of Land-Air, Inc., at Vaughn, New Mexico, for the purpose of obtaining data regarding these unusual aerial phenomena which had been seen in the vicinity of sensitive installations in New Mexico. To date the Air Force has not advised us of any new developments in connection with this project.

[redacted] has been contacted by the Albuquerque Office and arrangements have been made in order that the Bureau will be advised in the event any information relative to these phenomena indicates any jurisdiction on the part of the Bureau.

According to Bureau files, an average of approximately three or four complaints have been received per month from June through September. These complaints were brought to the attention of OSI. A review of Bureau files does not indicate that there has been any increase in the sightings of these phenomena during or as a result of the war in Korea.

JURISDICTION FOR INVESTIGATION OF THESE PHENOMENA

You will recall the investigation to obtain information concerning these aerial phenomena is the jurisdiction of the Department of the Air Force. The Department of the Air Force is aware of our jurisdiction in matters relating to espionage, sabotage and internal security, and we have contacted OSI and requested them to advise us of any developments in connection with these phenomena which would be of interest to us as a result of our jurisdiction.

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POSSIBLE ORIGIN OF THESE AERIAL PHENOMENA

The Bureau has been advised in the past by OSI that many of the sightings reported to them were determined by investigation to have been of weather balloons, falling stars, meteorological phenomena and other air-borne objects.

INFORMATION OBTAINED BY BUREAU LIAISON FROM OSI, WASHINGTON, D. C. RE THE CAPTIONED MATTERS ON OCTOBER 9, 1950.

Bureau liaison determined on the morning of October 9, 1950 from OSI headquarters that the investigations of these aerial phenomena are being handled by OSI, Wright Field, Ohio. Their investigation of these phenomena fails to indicate that the sightings involved space ships or missiles from any other planet or country.

According to OSI, the complaints received by them have failed to indicate any definite pattern of activity. OSI further advised they are closely following the investigation of the captioned matters, and they will advise this Bureau of any matters of interest.

ACTION

None. The above is for your information.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES AIR FOR
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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Hon. J. Edgar Hoover
Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation
Department of Justice
Washington 25, D. C.

Of Flying Discs

Dear Mr. Hoover:

The inclosed letter, subject: "Reporting of Information on Unconventional Aircraft," is forwarded for your information and any cooperation you may be able to extend.

As indicated in the letter it is desired to place this subject in its proper perspective as part of the normal USAF requirement for information of air technical intelligence interest.

Respectfully yours,

C. P. Cabell

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C. P. CABELL
Major General, USAF
Director of Intelligence

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"This document contains information affecting the national defense of the United States within the meaning of the Espionage Laws, Title 18 U.S.C., Sections 793 and 794. Its transmission or the revelation of its contents in any manner to an unauthorized person is prohibited by law."

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DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

AFOIC-CC-1 8 September 1950

SUBJECT: Reporting of Information on Unconventional Aircraft

TO: Commanding Generals, Major Air Commands, ZI and Overseas

All United States Air Attaches

1. The United States Air Force has a continuing requirement for the reporting and technical analysis of observations of unconventional aircraft which might indicate an advance in technological progress of a foreign power. An unconventional aircraft, within the meaning of this directive, is defined as any aircraft or airborne object which by performance, aerodynamic characteristics, or unusual features, does not conform to any presently known aircraft type.

2. It is desired that information on unconventional aircraft be reported in the following manner:

a. A separate report of each incident will be forwarded. No information other than that bearing on the unconventional aircraft will be included in this report.

b. Priority of transmission accorded the report will be that appropriate in the judgment of the forwarding agency, according to its apparent authenticity and importance as intelligence.

c. Reports will be forwarded to Commanding General, Air Materiel Command, Attention: MCIS.

d. Reports forwarded by electrical transmission will include, as far as possible:

(1) A brief description of the object(s); its shape, size, color, number, formation if more than one, aerodynamic features, trail or exhaust, propulsion system, speed, sound, maneuvers, manner of disappearance, and other pertinent or unusual features.

(2) Time sighted in 24-hour clock zonal time, and length of time observed.

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(3) Manner of observation; visual or electronic, from air (give speed, altitude, and type of aircraft), or surface. Any type of optical or electronic equipment used should be described.

(4) Location of observer during sighting, giving exact latitude and longitude as closely as feasible, and/or reference to a known landmark. Location of object(s) with respect to observer, giving distance, direction, and altitude.

(5) Identifying information on observer(s) and witnesses, estimate of reliability and experience, and any factors bearing on estimated reliability of the sighting.

(6) Weather and wind conditions (teletype sequences) at time and place of sightings.

(7) Any activity or condition, meteorological or otherwise, which might account for the sighting.

(8) Existence of any physical evidence; fragments, photographs and the like, of the sighting.

(9) Interception or identification action taken. (Such action should be taken whenever feasible, complying with existing air defense directives.)

e. Reports forwarded by electrical transmission will be followed up within ten (10) days by a written report on AF Form 112. This report will contain the same information specified in subparagraph 2d above in greater detail, and where feasible will include sketches and signed attested narrative statements of observers.

f. Written reports of sightings, where no previous electrically transmitted report has been submitted, will follow the same form as the written follow-up report described in subparagraph 2e above.

g. Any physical evidence of the sighting will be forwarded by most expeditious means to Commanding General, Air Materiel Command, Attn: MCIS, under cover of a letter identifying the shipment with the report of sighting. Mention of the method and time of shipping of this evidence will be included in written report of the sighting.

3. It is desired that no publicity be given this reporting or analysis activity.

BY COMMAND OF THE CHIEF OF STAFF:

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT

DATE: September 27, 1950

FROM : MR. [redacted]

SUBJECT: FLYING SAUCERS

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SAC Cornelius of Philadelphia called at 10:45 A.M. today and stated that yesterday evening while two officers of the Philadelphia Police Department were cruising in their scout car they saw through the windshield an object descending slowly to the earth which appeared at first glance to be a parachute.

When the officers first noticed the object, it was at tree-top level and was described as being six feet in diameter. It landed in a field near-by and the officers, upon examining it, noted that it gave out a purplish glow which was almost a mist. The officers summoned two other police officers. After looking at the object for some time they attempted to pick it up. The object broke, leaving a slight odorless residue. Over a period of about 25 minutes which the officers spent watching the object it completely disintegrated. The officers further commented that the object was so light that when it hit the field, it did not even bend the weeds or the grass it fell on.

Mr. Cornelius said that he has called the local office of the Air Force but the individual with whom he spoke there said he knew nothing about them and was not aware that his office was looking into reports of this type.

Mr. Cornelius desired to know what further action should be taken by him.

I told Mr. Cornelius that he was correct in referring this matter to the local office of OSI and that he should direct a letter to the Bureau incorporating all available information concerning the matter and that we here, upon its receipt, in turn would bring it to the attention of OSI Headquarters.

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To:
Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
The Pentagon
Washington, D. C.

From: John Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: FLYING SAUCERS

There is attached hereto for your consideration and attention a copy of a self-explanatory letter dated August 29, 1950, [redacted] received by this Bureau from [redacted] of [redacted] Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

For your information, the letter from [redacted] has been acknowledged by this Bureau, and he has been informed his communication has been referred to your Department.

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES
AND FIELD OFFICES
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : D. M. Ladd

FROM : A. H. Belmont

DATE: August 23, 1950

SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF AERIAL PHENOMENA IN NEW MEXICO
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

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Flying Discs

PURPOSE

To advise that: (1) OSI has expressed concern in [redacted] connection with the continued appearance of unexplained phenomena described as green fireballs, discs and meteors in the vicinity [redacted] of sensitive installations in New Mexico. (2) [redacted], [redacted] of the University of New Mexico, reported that the phenomen does not appear to be of meteoric origin. (3) OSI has contracted with [redacted], Alamogordo, New Mexico, to make scientific study of the unexplained phenomena.

[redacted]

NATURE OF PHENOMENA

Observations of aerial phenomena occurring within the vicinity of sensitive installations have been recorded by the Air Force since December, 1948. The phenomena have been classified into 3 general types which are identified as follows:

1. Green fireballs, objects moving at high speed in shapes resembling half moons, circles and discs emitting green light.

2. Discs, round flat shaped objects or phenomena moving at fast velocity and emitting a brilliant white light or reflected light.

3. Meteors, aerial phenomena resembling meteoric material moving at high velocity and varying in color.

The above phenomena have been reported to vary in color from brilliant white to amber, red and green.

Since 1948, approximately 150 observations of aerial phenomena referred to above have been recorded in the vicinity of installations in New Mexico. A number of observations have been reported by different reliable individuals at approximately the same time.

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RESULTS OF AN INQUIRY BY [redacted]

[redacted] University of New Mexico, submitted an analysis of the various observations on May 23, 1950. He concluded, as a result of his investigation, that approximately half of the phenomena recorded were of meteoric origin. The other phenomena commonly referred to as green fireballs or discs he believed to be U.S. guided missiles being tested in the neighborhood of the installations. [redacted] pointed out that if he were wrong in interpreting the phenomena as originating with U.S. guided missiles that a systematic investigation of the observations should be made immediately. [redacted] pointed out that missiles moving with the velocities of the order of those found for the green fireballs and discs could travel from the Ural region of the USSR to New Mexico in less than 15 minutes. He suggested that the observations might be of guided missiles launched from bases in the Urals.

On the basis of the investigations made by [redacted] and the Air Force, it was concluded that the occurrence of the unexplained phenomena in the vicinity of sensitive installations was a cause for concern. The Air Force entered into a contract with [redacted] Alamogordo, New Mexico, for the purpose of making scientific studies of the green fireballs and discs. It was pointed out in the summary furnished by OSI on July 19, 1950, that the unexplained green fireballs and discs are still observed in the vicinity of sensitive military and Government installations.

RESULTS OF AIR FORCE INVESTIGATION

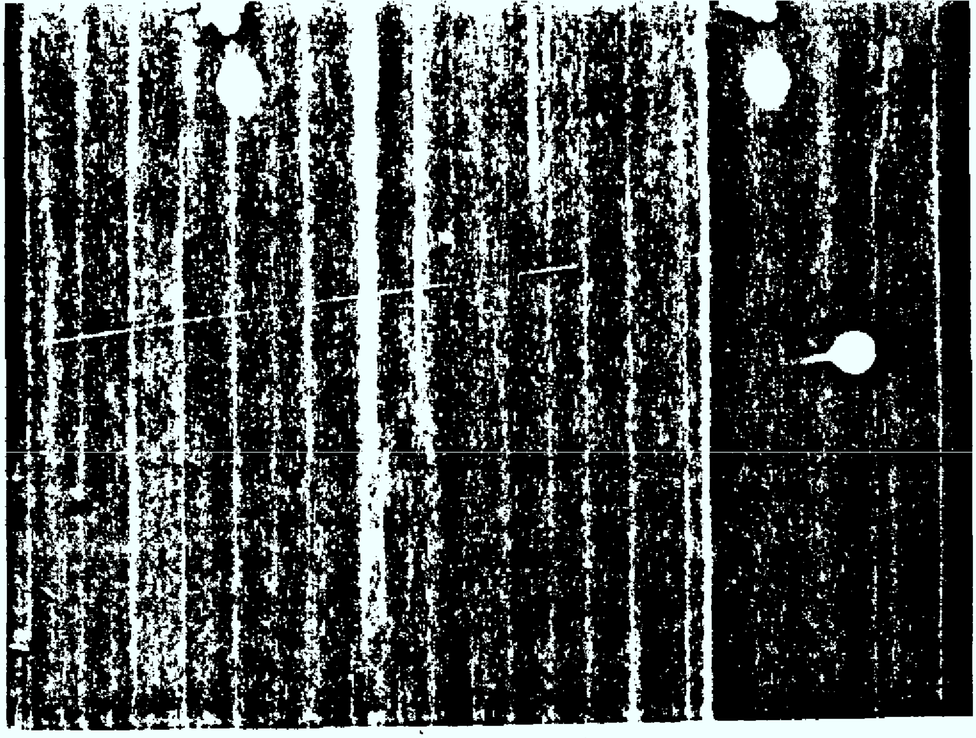
The Air Force together with [redacted] have established a number of observation posts in the vicinity of Vaughn, New Mexico, for the purpose of photographing and determining the speed, height and nature of the unusual phenomena referred to as green fireballs and discs. On May 24, 1950, personnel of [redacted] sighted 8 to 10 objects of aerial phenomena. A 24-hour day watch is being maintained and has been designated Project Twinkle.

CONCLUSIONS

The Albuquerque Office, in a letter dated August 10, 1950, advised that there have been no new developments in connection with the efforts to ascertain the identity of the strange aerial phenomena referred to as green fireballs and discs. The Albuquerque Office advised that Dr. [redacted] Project Engineer, had been informed of the Bureau's jurisdiction relative to espionage and sabotage and arrangements have been made so that the Bureau will be promptly advised in the event additional information relative to this project indicates any jurisdiction on the part of the Bureau.

ACTION

None. The above is for your information.



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Photograph of Unknown Aerial Phenomena taken at Datil, New Mexico by Cpl Lertis E. Stanfield, Holloman Air Force Base, New Mexico on 24 and 25 Feb 1950. An analysis of the above photograph was made by Dr. Lincoln LaPaz, Head of the Institute of Meteoritics, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, New Mexico, who reached the following conclusions:

a. The angular diameter of the perfectly round luminous object Stanfield observed was approximately 1/4 of a degree.

b. The angular velocity of the object in the sky was greater than half a degree per minute.

Dr. LaPaz stated that on the basis of the results (a) and (b) above, the object seen by Stanfield was not the moon (for the angular diameter is too small), it was not Venus or any other planet (for the angular diameter was too large), and it was not a bright fixed star slightly out of focus (for the observed rate of motion is double that due to the diurnal rotation of the earth).

THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO
ALBUQUERQUE

INSTITUTE OF METEORITICS

May 23, 1950

To: Lt. Colonel Doyle Rees, Commanding Officer
17th District, O. S. I.

From: Lincoln LaPaz, Director
Institute of Meteoritics

Subject: Anomalous Luminous Phenomena (Seventh Report)

1. In the second report of this series, dated 1948, December 20, the writer listed ten significant differences between the bright green horizontally-moving fireballs observed in the interval 1948, December 5-20, and typical meteors. These differences were the following:

(1) The horizontal nature of the paths of most of the December fireballs is most unusual. Genuine meteors are rarely observed to move in horizontal paths.

(2) Again the very low height of the December fireball discussed in section 2 above sets it off in sharp contrast from the genuine meteors for which heights of the order of 40 or more miles are normally observed.

(3) The velocity determined for the fireball of December 12 is much less than the velocities determined from typical meteors (and yet is considerably greater than the speeds of the V-2 Rockets or jet planes or of conventional flares).

(4) In the case of meteorites that penetrate to as low levels as that determined for the fireball of December 12, the observed luminous phenomena are always accompanied by very violent noises. No noises whatever have been observed in connection with the various December fireballs so far investigated. (Note added on 1950, May 23: Possible exceptions to the noiselessness of green fireballs are the incidents of 1949, January 30, and 1949, December 4.)

(5) Genuine meteors normally show remarkable variations in brightness, beginning as fine thin hair lines, which are scarcely visible to the observer, and then brightening up to flash out near the end of their paths. In the case of the December fireballs most of the observers have reported that the green balls appeared almost instantly at their full brightness.

(6) In the case of genuine meteors the paths are directed toward all points of the compass with equal frequency. On the contrary in the case of the green fireballs, plots of admissible approach sectors show that there is a very pronounced tendency for the paths to come in from the north half of the sky.

(7) The three groups of anomalous greenish luminous phenomena show a curious association with well known meteor showers, although none of these meteor showers normally produce extremely bright green fireballs, such as those recently observed. For example, the observation mentioned by Mr. Tonnig appeared near the maximum of the Quadrantid shower of early January, Mr. McCullough's observation of August was near the time of the Persid shower and the December observations all fell in the interval covered by the Geminid shower. This relationship might indicate an attempt to render the green fireballs less conspicuous by causing them to appear only when there is considerable meteoric activity.

(8) As noted in an earlier communication, the remarkably vivid green color reported for most of the December fireballs is rarely observed in the case of genuine meteors. By laboratory test this peculiar color seems to be identical with that given off by copper salts in the blowpipe flame. If this identification is correct, the wave length of the radiation from the green fireballs is near $\lambda = 5218$Å.

(9) The duration estimates of between 2 and 3 seconds reported for the green fireballs are considerably longer than those (0.1 - 0.5 seconds) for the ordinary visual meteors, but shorter than the duration estimates invariably reported in the case of a genuine meteorite fall (5 to 30 seconds or even longer).

(10) For none of the green fireballs has a train of sparks or a dust cloud been reported. This contrasts sharply with the behavior noted in case of meteoric fireballs--particularly those that penetrate to the very low levels where the green fireball of December 12 was observed.

2. In the year and a half since this list was prepared, many additional observations have been made, the total number of objects now accepted as belonging in the green fire ball category being 72. (Although this number constitutes nearly 50% of the incidents listed in the accompanying Summary, it constitutes less than 5% of the total number of unscreened observations reported to the writer.) Critical analysis of all green fireball reports now available shows that only one of the statements in the list given in paragraph 1 needs to be modified, namely, item (1). Within the last year, a considerable number of the green fireballs have appeared to fall vertically downward rather than

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Chicago 30, Illinois

EX-112

Dear Mr. [redacted]

I sincerely appreciate the interest which prompted your letter of June 21, 1954; however, I am not in a position, as a matter of policy, to comment regarding the book you mentioned since it does not deal with a matter within the jurisdiction of the FBI.

It is suggested that you consider the advisability of communicating with The Honorable, The Secretary of the Air Force, The Pentagon, Washington 25, D. C., for whatever information he can give you along the lines of your inquiries.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

NOTE: Correspondent desired information concerning the book "Flying Saucers Have Landed" by Desmond Leslie and George Adamski.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

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Gentlemen:

A book was published in 1953 by

Desmond Leslie and George Adamski

"Flying Saucers Have Landed"

Publishers - The British Book Centre,
New York City.

Is this book fact or fiction, are there Flying Saucers from other planets landing on the earth? Has the story told by George Adamski about his contact with the man from Venus any foundation in fact?

Please answer, many thanks,

[redacted]
Chicago 30, Illinois.

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EX-112

SAC, Cincinnati June 22, 1954

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FLYING DISCS
EX-122 MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING
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Reurlet 6/8/54.

You are instructed to recontact [redacted], referred to in your referenced letter and advise him this Bureau has no jurisdiction concerning the investigation of matters relating to flying discs and that the United States Air Force has such jurisdiction. You are instructed to advise him this Bureau cannot approve or disapprove of his activities in connection with this matter and that the placing of this Bureau on notice as to his activities will not exonerate him in the event he engages in any fraudulent or criminal activities.

You are instructed to furnish the information set forth in your referenced letter to OSI locally and to the Bureau in a memorandum suitable for dissemination to OSI headquarters.

NOTE: [redacted], Cincinnati, Ohio, advised the Cincinnati office he is interested in flying discs and has recently met several persons who claimed to have had experiences with flying discs. He stated he intended to assist such persons in arranging for public meeting in Cincinnati, at which matters relating to flying discs will be discussed and that he expects the meeting will result in a "four thousand dollar take." He advised he believed the experiences alleged by the persons referred to above and that those persons would participate in the meeting. He stated he had been advised by the Air Force that it was it's opinion claims made by the persons referred to above concerning flying discs and their experiences with same were fraudulent. He stated he wanted to put all federal agencies on notice in order that they could act to prevent the planned meeting re flying discs if it was deemed necessary by the Government.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 6-8-54

FROM : SAC, Cincinnati (100-0)

SUBJECT: [redacted]
FLYING DISCS
INFORMATION CONCERNING

On 6-7-54, [redacted] Cincinnati 23, Ohio, and Mr. [redacted] Cincinnati 12, Ohio, called at this office. Mr. [redacted] advised he is the operator of a beauty salon in the [redacted], Cincinnati, and Mr. [redacted] advised he is President of the [redacted] in Cincinnati. Mr. [redacted] did all the talking for the two men and he furnished the following information:

On 6-3-54 an ad appeared in the "Cincinnati Enquirer," a newspaper of general circulation, Cincinnati, Ohio, to the effect that on 6-11-54 a program would be presented at Taft Auditorium, Cincinnati, Ohio, on "The Real Flying Saucer Story." The advertisement which Mr. [redacted] exhibited disclosed no sponsor for this program and it was only noted on the ad that tickets for the program sold for $2.00 per person and would be on sale at the Central Ticket Office in Cincinnati.

Mr. [redacted] advised that although he belongs to no organization interested in flying saucers, he has been interested in this subject and has been interested to the extent that he desired to know the sponsorship of the program. He stated that he found out from the Central Ticket Office that the ad had been placed by [redacted] Ferndale 20, Michigan. He advised that he telephonically contacted [redacted] on 6-3-54 and [redacted] stated that he was only the agent for renting the hall and that he was acting on behalf of [redacted] and [redacted] [redacted]. He stated that on 6-4-54 [redacted] called him back and told him that there had been a disagreement between [redacted] and [redacted] over [redacted] arrangements for the sale of tickets for the program and the renting of the hall.

[redacted] advised that at this time [redacted] said nothing to discredit either [redacted] or [redacted] and indicated that their disagreement only concerned his placing the ad in the newspaper prior to having the tickets for the program available in Cincinnati.

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[redacted] continued that ten minutes after he had talked to [redacted] on Friday, 6-4-54, he received a call from [redacted] and a Mr. [redacted] who confirmed to him that [redacted] was no longer associated with them, and who asked that [redacted] meet with them at a luncheon at the Terrace Plaza Hotel on 6-7-54.

Mr. [redacted] in explanation of his interest in this matter, advised that he had read such books as "Flying Saucers From Outer Space," written by DONALD E. KEHOE, retired major, U. S. Marine Corps, which book was published by Harper's Publishers, and a book entitled "Flying Saucers Have Landed," by GEORGE ADAMSKI, which book is published by Werner-Lowery Company in England, and is distributed by the British Book Center in New York City. He said that he has also heard broadcasts by persons he considers reputable news commentators, such as WALTER WINCHELL, FULTON LEWIS, JR., and FRANK EDWARDS, to the effect that reliable persons have reported observing flying discs or saucers. He said contrary to these reports, the U. S. Air Force has denied the existence of the flying saucer and he felt that persons such as [redacted] and [redacted] in presenting a program such as that contemplated, were either truthful or they were frauds. He stated that if they had a true story to tell, then he felt it was of such nature that it should be given as wide a distribution as possible, so that the people might learn the true facts regarding flying discs. He said, however, if their story was not true, then the holding of such a meeting as was contemplated would be a fraud on the general public. He estimated that such a meeting in Cincinnati might draw two thousand people, which, at $2.00 apiece, would result in a $4,000.00 take for the promoters.

To identify [redacted] [redacted] had with him two copies of the magazine "Valor," which he stated he got from [redacted], this magazine being self-identified as the "Golden Times Weekly," published by Soul Craft Chapels, Post Office Box 192, Noblesville, Indiana. The two issues which Mr. [redacted] had with him were numbers 15 and 16 of volume 6 of the publication, the number 15 being dated 2-6-54 and number 16 being dated 2-13-54. The number 15 issue contained an article concerning [redacted] in which he is identified as a truck driver from Redondo Beach, California, and it refers to an article dated 12-31-53, which appeared in the "Daily Breeze," a newspaper at Redondo Beach, California, which allegedly contained a description of an encounter which [redacted] had with a crew of assumed space explorers under the supervision of a ravishing woman commandant in the Nevada desert. The article also reflects that [redacted] allegedly was aboard flying saucers on eleven occasions. At the bottom of the first page of issue number 15 there appeared in what Mr. [redacted] stated was the handwriting of [redacted] the statement "This is a true story, a factual experience -- [redacted]

The above mentioned article in "Valor" also reflected that [redacted] is 55 years of age and that his residence address is [redacted], Redondo Beach, California.

Mr. [redacted] also had with him a letter addressed to [redacted] from [redacted] of the Saucers Research Foundation, which letter reflected that that organization was holding a three-day convention June 4, 5 and 6, 1954 at the Carthay Circle Theatre in Los Angeles, California, and that it had invited [redacted] to this convention to say a few words concerning his experience. [redacted] was identified in this letter as business manager of [redacted] ollywood [illegible], California.

Mr. [redacted] reiterated that he felt [redacted]'s story, if true, should be given wide publicity, but that if the story was false, then he should be prosecuted for fraud. He stated that he first took his information to the Air Force in the person of Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] of Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio, whom [redacted] visited personally at [redacted] home in Fairborn, Ohio, on Sunday, 6-6-54. [redacted] indicated that he asked Colonel [redacted] if there were such things as flying saucers and if [redacted] story could be true, and he said [redacted] denied that there was such a thing as a flying saucer and indicated to him that DONALD E. KEHOE, the author of "Flying Saucers in Outer Space" was a fraud and that information is available in Washington that KEHOE is a fraud. He said he was advised, however, by [redacted] that the Air Force could take no action with respect to [redacted]

[redacted] continued that it was his intention to aid in the promotion of a meeting for [redacted] in Cincinnati. He advised that the original meeting scheduled for June 11 had been cancelled, and that he felt this meeting had such important information for the people as a whole that he was going to make every effort to make the meeting one of national significance. He said he intended to invite to the meeting all nationally prominent news commentators. He intended to try to get radio time to advertise the meeting but he did not wish to participate in this matter in any way if it would violate security regulations in any manner, or if [redacted] and his associates were in any way fraudulent. He stated that he so informed [redacted] at the luncheon meeting which was held at the Terrace Plaza Hotel on 6-7-54. They informed him that they were not afraid of an investigation; that [redacted] story was factual, and that they had no objection to [redacted] advising Government authorities regarding it.

Mr. [redacted] stated that his report to this office was part of his plan to inform all the Federal agencies he thought should know about the activities of [redacted] He advised that in line with his contemplated plans that on the evening of 6-7-54 there was to be another meeting at the home of [redacted] Cincinnati 27, Ohio, at which meeting there would be Mr. [redacted], [redacted] He said at this meeting they would plan a method of operation and make arrangements for this meeting of national significance. He said he intended to set the date of the meeting far enough in advance so that if any Governmental agency determined that there was fraud involved that agency would have sufficient time to act prior to the holding of the meeting. He advised he intended to keep a detailed record of all actions taken by this group, and that he would voluntarily furnish such information to the FBI.

[redacted] advised that he had not known and had not met either [redacted], [redacted] r [redacted] prior to the events described above. He said that [redacted] identified himself as an archeologist and a writer for the magazine "Valor," who resides in Noblesville, Indiana.

He said that [redacted], whose first name he did not know, is also connected with "Valor" magazine in some way.

He was asked as to what interest "Valor" magazine has in [redacted], and whether [redacted] was sponsored by any other organization. He advised that he did not know the interest of "Valor" magazine in [redacted] and so far as he knew, [redacted] was acting on his own and had no organizational affiliations or sponsorship. He was asked as to what disposition would be made of receipts from a large meeting and he advised that he did not know what disposition would be made of the money. He said he understood that [redacted] had been on tour for some time and that the meeting scheduled for Cincinnati originally on 6-11-54 was to be the beginning of a new series of meetings.

The files of this office contain no information which can be identified with [redacted]

The indices reflect that by letter dated 2-7-52, Indianapolis file 61-5, the Indianapolis Office advised the Cincinnati Office under the caption of [redacted]" [redacted], was at that time operating under the name of [redacted] with headquarters and printing facilities in Noblesville, Indiana.

With regard to [redacted] the indices of this office reflect that as of July, 1942, he was general manager of the [redacted] a mechanical packing firm at [redacted], Cincinnati.

No further action is being taken in this matter by this office, and the foregoing is for the Bureau's information and for the information of the Los Angeles and Indianapolis Offices.

DIRECTOR, FBI 6/18/54

SAC, SEATTLE

REPORTS ON ALLEGED SIGHTING OF SUBMARINES,
PARACHUTE LANDINGS, FLASHING LIGHTS, ETC.
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It has been the experience of this office that during this season, from now until winter, there is received a considerable number of alleged reports on sighting of submarines, flashing lights, parachute landings, flying saucers, etc. In every instance when such reports are received, the information is immediately disseminated to DIO, 13 ND, U. S. Navy; OSI, USAF; and G-3, U. S. Army.

Inasmuch as Seattle is the District Headquarters for the Intelligence Agencies in the Pacific Northwest, reports received, usually from the USCG, concerning incidents in the state of Oregon are immediately reported to that office as well as the Intelligence Agencies.

Many of the reports are of a nebulous type, impossible of corroborating, and of doubtful authenticity. Some, by preliminary inquiry and evaluation, prove to be without foundation. However, as stated above, reports of this type are immediately disseminated to the Intelligence Agencies without evaluation, followed by additional information as obtained.

This office has no control of the dissemination of these reports on a "spot" basis by the local intelligence offices to their Headquarters in Washington, D. C. The Bureau will recall the widespread dissemination given by the military agencies of "Radio Message March 13, 1953, Interpreted as Calling for Mobilization of Communist Party" (SAC Letter #23, dated 3/31/53).

The purpose of this letter is to advise the Bureau that in all instances immediate dissemination is made of all unusual incidents that appear to have any military significance. This office also acts as a co-ordinator on all reports to be certain that all interested agencies are cognizant.

The Bureau may be assured that it will be kept advised of all significant incidents as they arise but will not be bothered with every trivial incident that occurs unless instructed.

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DIRECTOR, FBI
RE: REPORTS ON ALLEGED SIGHTING OF SUBMARINES, PARACHUTE LANDINGS, FLASHING LIGHTS, ETC. ESPIONAGE

SAC, SEATTLE
6-18-54

OSI advises us that they have no interest whatsoever themselves in connection with these matters and that Operations of the Air Force doesn't even advise them. Colonel [redacted], District Commander, OSI, states that there is an evaluation at Wright-Patterson Field where the data is correlated, that the reports are handled from the Air Force here to that point in a routine fashion and that OSI gives no credence whatsoever to it because they have never had any previous experience of any kind as to anything arising out of the situation.

There is attached hereto a copy of a communication marked "CONFIDENTIAL" requesting data concerning the situation as well as several recent publications, some of which are issued by the Air Force itself. It is the opinion of Colonel [redacted] that the releases are a poor thing and create mass hysteria, but he says he has nothing whatsoever to do with the situation.

April 27, 1954

[redacted]
Milton, Kentucky

EX-123

Dear [redacted] [illegible] 94 - 341

Thank you very much for your letter of April 21, 1954.

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Although I would like to be of assistance, it is not possible for me to express an opinion regarding the subject you mentioned since it does not relate to a matter within the jurisdiction of the FBI.

You may desire, however, to communicate with The Honorable, The Secretary of the Air Force, The Pentagon, Washington 25, D. C., for whatever information he can give you.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

NOTE: First name salutation is being used since the correspondent indicates she is a seventh grade student. She requested the Director's opinion regarding Flying Saucers.

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Milton, Ky.

Federal Bureau
of Investigation
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Dear Sir,

The seventh grade of Milton Are studying about Flying Saucers. and I would like to have your opinion on them.

Sincerely Yours,

/S/ [redacted]
Milton, Ky.

Address on envelope
[redacted].

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Milton, Ky.

Flying Saucers -

Federal Bureau
of Investigation
Washington
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Dear Sir,

The seventh grade of Milton
Are studying about Flying Saucers.
And I would like to have your
opinion on them.

Sincerely Yours

[redacted]

Milton, Ky.

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Date: May 13, 1954

To: Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: FLYING SAUCERS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

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EX-107

There is attached a copy of a memorandum dated April 12, 1954, captioned "[redacted]" which contains information furnished to the Newark office of this Bureau by [redacted] and his wife, [redacted] both of [redacted] East Orange, New Jersey. There is also attached a translation from the German language of the parts of the two letters furnished by [redacted] and his wife to the Newark office.

The files of this Bureau fail to reflect that any investigation has been conducted by this Bureau of [redacted] In view of the information set forth in the attached memorandum dated April 12, 1954, and the translation of the parts of the letters referred to herein, no investigation is contemplated by this Bureau in this matter.

~~Attachment~~

cc - 1 - Records Administration Branch (~~Attachment~~)
Attention: Criminal Division
(by O-6 form on same date)

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 4/12/54

FROM : SAC, Newark (62-0)

SUBJECT: INFORMATION REGARDING NEW PRINCIPLES OF AERO-DYNAMICS
ALOIS PIVEC - INFORMANT

Enclosed herewith are photostats of parts of two letters furnished by [redacted] and his wife, [redacted], both of [redacted] East Orange, NJ.

Both photostats are in German and concern the development of a new principle in aero-dynamics and alleged attempts by the Communists in Austria to obtain this information.

There is also enclosed a blind memo, setting forth the summary of the information in the letters and the circumstances under which they were obtained.

This information is being furnished to the Bureau for whatever action is deemed appropriate.

The indices of the Newark Office are negative regarding [redacted]

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TRANSLATION FROM GERMAN

Item #1

12-21-53

[redacted]
New Jersey, U. S. A.

Dear Mr. [redacted]

Your brother will probably have communicated with you about me as we became acquainted with each other at a construction job. I told him a few things about inventions or utilization. Dear Mr. [redacted] be not angry with me because I am now turning to you. I hesitated such a long time as my wife does not wish to go abroad. Enclosed I am sending you 2 inventions, that is, ideas and I leave it to your own power of judgment whether one or both, or none of these inventions is suitable. If one seems to be profitable to you, you should apply for a patent in your own name as the best possible way and enter for me and for yourself 45% each of the net profit and 10% for your brother. I am giving you entirely a free hand, as you will undoubtedly try to attain the greatest possible profit.

And now, dear Mr. [redacted] I am taking the liberty of telling you something about an invention which the entire world wants to have. (I am only writing the most important facts.) Before the war I intended to make a toy, something which flies, and purely accidentally I discovered a hitherto unknown aerodynamic law. I experimented further. I improved and informed several comrades. They were enthused and emigrated to South America. There they tried it on their own responsibility. People were killed and they failed to perfect the incomplete invention. They approached me again. As they were only artisans, these flying machines were, of course, built primitively. The first experiments to fly with a motorcycle motor attained the result of 250-300 km. Not bad for the years 1938-39! With a powerful motor they then flew 2600-2800 km. (hour kilometers).

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After the war they came to me again and told me about their misfortune, that about 60% of all flights had been fatal. To make it very clear, they wanted to find out how I construct my flying apparatuses, because with a device, which endangers lives, they could not, of course, appear before the public, and, therefore, all this is still, so to speak, a private secret. In America, this flying machine is called "flying saucer," and since among my former comrades a quarrel broke out and they distrust each other and none of them has the intelligence, which this invention demands, they have not progressed over there.

I imagine that they have stubbornly adhered to some construction, that is, become involved in it that they cannot advance. It has taken me years to reach the point where I can already say with respect to the construction plan that now the machine is safe for flying. Thereby I am losing, however, some speed, but, in return for it, safety is secured and this is the main thing. This machine is so very simple in its construction that, if one gives me an engineer and experts, I can build this apparatus in 5 to 6 weeks at the most (but only experimentally for a crew of 1 to 3 men). Then this machine attains, with an automobile motor of 80 to 120 h.p. about 700 to 1,000 km. If a firm would exist, which does not shun the costs, I can, because of the simple construction of the machine, build the first machine immediately in such a manner that it exceeds the 2000 km. limit per hour.

Because of the new aerodynamic law it is possible without any difficulty (everything without propellers) to reach such speeds. Now the idea has come to me to build some kind of popular flying machine which is cheaper than an automobile. One does not need any starting or landing strip and one would have a travelling speed of about 500 to 700 km. per hour. I believe that America would be the most favorable place in the world for it. You will now understand that I am very anxious to establish contact with a firm which is greatly interested in this invention. But as I have no knowledge of English, it is for me, from the very beginning, an affair which will come to nothing. If you, dear Mr. [redacted] can start the matter, you will not have done it in vain. I am not niggardly and besides I want to go to the U. S. A. to realize there a still larger project for which I need co-workers. The circular flying machines shall bring me the money for my further future plans, for I believe popular flying machines, according to my model and besides 100% safe from crash, will be a gigantic business. I do not know the magnates over there; perhaps HENRY FORD or an airplane factory, possibly a helicopter plant would be interested in it.

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But I shall announce the names of my comrades only after I have received a contract pertaining to license or gratuities and after my arrival in the U. S. However, it must be added that I shall not lay out the money for the passage if some firm accepts me for the construction of the flying machines. But in addition to all that I need someone who lives over there and who knows the English language, and now I am asking you, my dear Mr. [redacted], whether you can function as my manager as they say in the U. S. A. Well, you know that the manager receives payment, and I believe that you will enjoy working with me later on inventions when I am over there. Incidentally I mention that I took a course as a chemist.(The "Do" - apparatuses, later called fog - or rocket-missiles, originated with me and also many other things.) I hope that you can decipher my hieroglyphic script. Such small writing is not in my line. So that you may see that I am not exaggerating, I declare upon oath that the invention, known by the name of "flying saucer," is my own, that I know the men who are building these machines in South America, and that I can construct the above-described machine myself and attain at least 2000 km.

/s/ [redacted]

I hope that you will be interested in it. I am awaiting your communication very hopefully.

With friendly greetings,

Respectfully,

/s/ [redacted]

Item #2

1-21-54

[redacted]
Klagenfurt - West

Dear Mr. [redacted]

I have received your letter of 1-12, on 1-19. Many thanks for your efforts. With joy I have taken cognizance of the fact that you have already contacted American authorities concerning my invention. However, I have no great hopes, because I know that with the U. S. everything is defective, exactly as with the English. - Example: Already a long time ago I wrote 2 or 3 letters to the U. S. authorities at Salzburg and I was in Salzburg myself during the past year, but everything was in vain. - At the most, in response to my letters, some Russian agent comes; that is all. When I wrote in Switzerland at first to President TRUMAN and then to President EISENHOWER through an official bureau, also everything was of no avail. In the end, always Russian agents come. In May 1953, a big dirty pig arrived who wanted to make me believe that he would take me in an automobile to the emigration office for Austrians in Switzerland. He enraged me to such an extent that I hit him in the face with my fist. But he had also helpers and I am not sure how it ended. I awoke, lying on the ground, and all had disappeared. Several days ago a man approached me at my working place who only pointed a finger upon me, saying: "You!" When I looked at him; he quickly ran away. I could not recognize him, but seemingly he knew me. - But the English are even more stupid. I wrote to the local city commandant's office about my invention (just like to you) but no reply came. When at one time I accidentally listened to "Radio Canada," I learned about my statements. Those people said that one had finally succeeded (possibly Scotland Yard) to obtain exact data on the German flying saucers and that one would, therefore, establish a research station in Canada with English experts, etc. I wondered whether the entire world had gone crazy. I offer my invention for sale, and those people make such a noise about it! They will never perfect the machine without my data. Well, I let you know that I am somewhat in the bad books here; strictly speaking since 1937, because of our eagle, also called misfortune. Our coat of arms, the bird

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of Austria, has in its claws hammer and sickle, and when I announced in 193(?)7 in public that the communist symbols also appear on our money, the gendarmery arrested me and told me that I was crazy. Since I repeatedly declared that a "red dog" sits in the government in complete secrecy, everything has failed. But that since then an information has always been based upon the word crazy, I do not believe, although I know that the communists have always guarded me very strictly. Furthermore, I accidentally (relatives) discovered the fundamentals of Russian atom physics (a law of nature, unknown to America) and, therefore, since 1933 all my attempts to get into the U. S. A. have been frustrated in every respect. I cannot journey to that country. Since I (relatives) also exactly know the most secret Russian communications methods (apparatuses) and the system, they are doing their utmost to prevent me from establishing contact with the U. S. A. I hardly believe that it will be possible by normal means. I shall not place myself into an airplane again! The Americans do not know how many Russian agents are with them. After I had written to the Pentagon about my invention, a rejection arrived. From Salzburg I have never received a reply. Seemingly, the English have lost my address and when I reported to the local FSS that I can construct the Russian apparatuses, I received...*)

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*) Examiner's comment: This communication is incomplete.

[redacted]

On January 12, 1954, [redacted] East Orange, NJ, appeared at the Newark Office and advised that he had received a letter from one [redacted], West Austria, on about December 20, 1953.

[redacted] stated that the letter requested him to attempt to sell a number of inventions, which he, [redacted] had developed. [redacted] stated that the request was to contact Aircraft Companies and Sewing Machine Companies in the United States and attempt to interest them in these devices.

According to [redacted] requested that no governmental agencies be contacted. [redacted] stated that the inventions, which [redacted] had developed were new type of sewing machine and a flying saucer. [redacted] stated that he came to this office because he felt that the flying saucer was of some importance in the national defense of this country. [redacted] stated that he has never met [redacted] but that [redacted] was given his name by [redacted] brother, [redacted] who resides in Graz, Austria, and who is employed at [redacted], Graz, Austria. [redacted] stated that his brother workedwith [redacted] at one time, and he believes that [redacted] is a chemist or some type of engineer. [redacted] stated that the contents of the letter seemed fantastic to him and that if the letter were not written in such an intelligent manner, he would have doubted [redacted] sanity. He stated that [redacted] claims to have sold a new principle of aero-dynamics, which made it possible to construct a practical flying saucer and that [redacted] had developed a model that flies without the usual hazards. According to [redacted] the letter continues by stating that [redacted] has been in contact with other men throughout the world, who have been attempting to develop the saucer and that he has been the first to win real success.

By way of background, [redacted] stated that he was born in the vicinity of Leoben, Austria in 1925 and arrived in New York City on March 29, 1952 from Bremerhaven, Germany. He is employed at the [redacted] in Maplewood, NJ.

On January 30, 1954, [redacted] East Orange, NJ, appeared at the Newark Office and advised that she was the wife of [redacted]. She stated that another letter had been received from [redacted] by her husband, [redacted]. She stated that her husband did not want to furnish the information in this letter to the FBI. She stated that he was not aware that she was furnishing this information and wished to keep the interview confidential.

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[redacted] stated that the letter received recently by her husband, from [redacted], contained information that [redacted] had been contacted by Communists in Austria, who wished to take him to Switzerland in order that he might further develop his new principle of aero-dynamics. According to the letter, [redacted] has continued to refuse any offer by the Communists and wished [redacted] to increase his efforts to sell [redacted] new invention in the United States.

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By way of background, [redacted] advised that she was born of German parents in South Russia and at the time of the German invasion of Russia, during World War II, she and her family were resettled in Germany. After the war, she married [redacted] and came to the United States with him.

July 24, 1953

Mr. [redacted]
[redacted]
Mackinac Island, Michigan

Dear [redacted]

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Your letter of June 30, 1953, was brought to my attention upon my return to the city, and I want to thank you for making this information available to me.

I wish to advise that the situation which you discuss in your letter does not pertain to any matter within the investigative jurisdiction of the FBI. Obviously, therefore, no representative of this Bureau conducted the interview with Mr. [redacted] which you describe relative to "flying saucers."

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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NOTE: Mr. [redacted] letter of June 30, 1953, stated that a farmer named [redacted] of Circleville, Ohio, had reportedly seen a flying saucer and had been subsequently interviewed on the matter by representative of the FBI. Mr. [redacted] desired to know if this were true.

Bulet of July 9, 1953, to him was an "in-absence" reply, containing a note for SAC, Cincinnati to determine the basis of the rumor. Cincinnati letter of July 15, 1953, indicates that [redacted] was interviewed on July 14, 1953; at that time Stevenson indicated that he had been interviewed on the subject by one [redacted] of Columbus, Ohio, who made the statement that he (Grant) had once been "checked" by the FBI. Cincinnati files reflect no prior interview with the farmer, who is [redacted], Circleville, Ohio.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: July 15, 1953

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FROM : SAC, CINCINNATI (105-0)

SUBJECT: MR. [redacted]
Mackinac Island, Michigan
RESEARCH - CRIME RECORDS

ReBulet dated 7-9-53.

[redacted], Circleville, Pickaway County, Ohio, advised he is cognizant of a "flying saucer" report made by Mr. [redacted] [redacted], [redacted] Circleville, Ohio. According to [redacted], Mr. [redacted] reported that a saucer-shaped object had landed on his farm some time ago, and this report eventually reached local newspapers. In June, 1953, an individual discussed the matter with Mr. [redacted] [redacted] advised that this person did not, to his knowledge, represent himself to be an FBI Agent. The [redacted] further declared that he has known [redacted] all his life and that he is a prosperous, well-respected local farmer, who is considered trustworthy.

Mr. [redacted], [redacted] was interviewed 7-14-53 at which time he stated that shortly after he received some publicity regarding his report of sighting a saucer-shaped object, he was visited by one [redacted], who gave his address as [redacted] Tri-Village Station, Columbus, Ohio. According to Mr. [redacted] [redacted] told him he was a salesman of television antennas, and that for over six years he had been pursuing the hobby of investigating "flying saucer" reports. He emphasized that he had no official connection with any part of the Government, but stated that he had once been "checked" by the FBI. Mr. [redacted] declared that [redacted] showed him pictures of "flying saucers" and told him he was writing a book on the subject, which would be published soon.

A search of the Cincinnati indices revealed no information identifiable with either [redacted]

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DATE: July 10, 1953

TO: Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

FROM: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

SUBJECT: FLYING SAUCERS

The following information was furnished to the Atlanta Field Office of this Bureau at 3:45 A.M. on July 8, 1953, by Mr. [redacted] [redacted] reporter. Mr. [redacted] stated Mr. [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] Northeast, Atlanta, Georgia, telephone number [redacted], contacted him at the office of the [redacted] and advised as follows:

According to [redacted] he and two other companions, while travelling in an automobile on Bankhead Highway in the vicinity of Mableton, Georgia, encountered three small animals which they believed had landed from a flying saucer. Waters advised as he and his companion approached, the three animals started making their way back to what was believed to be a flying saucer. According to Waters, two of the animals escaped in the flying saucer but the third was killed when hit by the automobile in which Waters and his companions were riding.

According to [redacted] Waters displayed the animal which had been killed to him at the "[redacted]" newspaper office. [redacted] stated the animal did not resemble anything he had ever seen before but it looked as though it belonged to the monkey family. According to [redacted], the animal was approximately 21 inches long, had a rather pointed head, large ears and pinkish skin. [illegible] stated because of the early morning hour he was unable to locate a scientist to examine the animal, but he did have one of the leading veterinarians of Atlanta, Georgia, examine it.

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[redacted] advised the veterinarian would not com it himself but the veterinarian pointed out he had never seen an animal in the monkey family without hair nor had he ever seen a dead animal that did not turn pale at death. According to [redacted] the veterinarian stated the animal's tail was missing and that when he had questioned Waters about the missing tail [redacted] had seemed somewhat surprised and indicated it had possibly been cut off in the accident. [redacted] stated there was blood around the mouth of the animal, which resembled human blood.

At the time [redacted] furnished the above information to the Atlanta Office of this Bureau, he stated neither he nor any member of the [redacted]" newspaper staff had been drinking but had witnessed the above. [redacted] stated he first thought [redacted] had tried to pull a publicity gag in this matter; however, it was [redacted] opinion if this had been [redacted] motive, [redacted] would have timed his visit to the newspaper office better as the newspaper was unable to print anything on the story after midnight. [redacted] informed the Atlanta Office of this Bureau the [redacted] would probably run a story concerning the information set forth above.

It is noted your office was telephonically contacted on the morning of July 9, 1953, by a Liaison representative of this Bureau concerning the above matter. The above is furnished for your information and no investigation is being conducted in this matter by this Bureau.

The Little Man Who Wasn't

Edward Watters and two friends said they saw a flying saucer on U. S. Highway 78 near Atlanta, Ga., and several small creatures running toward it. They ran over one but the others entered the saucer and flew off in a blaze of light. Mr. Watters exhibits the "man from Mars" but an anatomy professor called it a skinned monkey.

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(SAUCER)

ATLANTA--TWO BARBERS AND A BUTCHER PRODUCED A 21-INCH LONG "CREATURI TODAY TO BACK UP THEIR TALE THAT THEY HAD SEEN A FLYING SAUCER AND THRI ELUSIVE LITTLE MEN AFTER CONSUMING ONE BEER APIECE.

AN ANATOMY PROFESSOR SAID, HOWEVER, THAT THE CORPSE THE EARTH MEN SUSPECTED WAS FROM OUTER SPACE APPEARED TO BE A MONKEY.

THE MEN WERE CONVINCED IT WAS FROM OUT OF THIS WORLD. THEY SAID THEY RAN INTO IT WITH THEIR AUTOMOBILE WHILE DRIVING ON A HIGHWAY NEAR HERE LAST NIGHT.

"RIGHT THERE IN THE MIDDLE OF THE HIGHWAY WAS THIS THING, GLOWING RED ALL OVER," SAID EDWARD WATTERS, 28-YEAR-OLD BARBER. IT LOOKED LIKE A FLYING SAUCER PICTURE HE HAD SEEN IN A SCIENCE MAGAZINE, HE SAII

"THREE LITTLE MEN WERE RUNNING FOR IT," WATTERS CONTINUED. "THEY ALL JUMPED. TWO OF THEM MADE IT. I HIT THE OTHER ONE."

WATTERS SAID THE MACHINE SOON ROSE INTO THE AIR AND ZOOMED AWAY. HE SAID IT WAS NOT MORE THAN WAIST HIGH AND ABOUT HALF AS WIDE AS THE ROAD.

WATTERS' COMPANIONS, ARNOLD PAYNE, A BUTCHER, AND THOMAS WILSON, A BARBER, TOLD THE SAME STORY. WATTERS SAID THE INCIDENT OCCURRED ABOUT MIDNIGHT AFTER THEY HAD CONSUMED ONE BEER APIECE.

DR. W. A. MICKLE, ANATOMY PROFESSOR AT EMORY UNIVERSITY, EXAMINED THE ANIMAL, WHICH HAD BECOME A VICTIM OF AN AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT. MICKLE SAID IT LOOKED LIKE A MEMBER OF THE "RHESUS MONKEY FAMILY," ALTHOUGH IT HAD NO HAIR.

"IF IT'S A CREATURE FROM OUTER SPACE, THEY HAVEN'T INVENTED ANYTHIN NEWS," HE SAID.

WATTERS DECIDED TO FREEZE THE THING WITH DRY ICE AND PUT IT ON DISPLAY.

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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FBI ATLANTA 7-8-53 11-0-2 AM JB

DIRECTOR, FBI URGENT [redacted]

FLYING SAUCERS, MR. [redacted] - [redacted] [redacted],
COMPLAINANT. THREE FORTYFIVE AM THIS DATE [redacted] TELEPHONICALLY FUR
FOLLOWING -FANTASTIC TALE - ASSURING THAT NEITHER HE NOR ANY MEMBER
OF [redacted] STAFF HAD BEEN DRINKING BUT HAD WITNESSED THIS
STORY. [redacted] STATED [redacted] [redacted]
RD, NE, [redacted] CALLED ON HIM AT NEWSPAPER OF
STATING HE ANDTWO OTHER COMPANIONS WHILE TRAVELING IN CAR ON BANK-
HEAD HIGHWAY ABOUT MABLETON, GA. ENCOUNTERED THREE SMALL ANIMALS WH
THEY BELIEVED HAD LANDED FROM SOME PLACE IN FLYING SAUCER. [redacted]
INFORMED [redacted] THAT AS THEY APPROACHED THE THREE OBJECTS SSTARTING
MAKING THEIR WAY BACK TO WHAT HE BELIEVED A FLYING SAUCER, THAT TWO
OF THE ANIMALS ESCAPED IN SAUCER BUT THIRD WAS KILLED WHEN HIT BY T
AUTOMOBILE. [redacted] DISPLAYED OBJECT OR ANIMAL TO [redacted] AT NEWSPAPE
OFFICE. [redacted] STATED ANIMAL DID NOT RESEMBLE ANYTHING HE HAD EVER
SEEN BEFORE BUT LOOKED AS IF IT BELONGED TO MONKEY FAMILY. ANIMAL
MEASURED AND FOUND TO BE APPROXIMATELY TWENTYONE INCHES LONG, HAD
RATHER POINTED HEAD, LARGE EARS AND SKIN WAS PINKISH. DUE TO
EARLY MORNING HOUR [redacted] UNABLE TO LOCATE SCIENTIST TO EXAMINE
ANIMAL BUT DID HAVE ONE OF LEADING VETERINARIANS THIS CITY EXAMINE

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[redacted] STATES VETERINARIAN WOULD NOT COMMIT HIMSELF BUT VET POINTED OUT HAD NEVER SEEN ANIMAL IN MONKEY FAMILY WITHOUT HAIR AS THIS ONE NOR HAD EVER NOTED A DEAD ANIMAL THAT DID NOT TURN PALE AT DEATH. VETERINARIAN STATED ANIMAL HAD HAD A TAIL BUT SAME WAS MISSING AND W QUESTIONING [redacted] ABOUT SAME [redacted] SEEMED SOMEWHAT SURPRISED BUT S IT WAS POSSIBLY CUT OFF IN ACCIDENT. [redacted] ADVISED T WHERE WAS BLOOD AROUND MOUTH OF ANIMAL CAUSED BY ACCIDENT WHICH RESEMBLED HUMAN BLOO [redacted] FIRST THOUVHT [redacted] POSSIBLY TRYING TO PULL PUBLICITY GAG DUE TO RECENT NEWSPAPER STORIES BUT BELIEVED HAD THIS BEEN HIS MOTIVE [redacted] WOULD HAVE TIMED HIS VISIT BETTER AS THEY WERE un ABLE TO PRINT ANYTHIN AFTER MIDNIGHT. [redacted] STATED NEWSPAPER WOULD POSSIBLY RUN STORY ON ABOVE FACTS TODAY. ATLANTA INDICES NEGATIVE ON [redacted]. ABOVE FURNISHED IN VIEW OF POSSIBLE PUBLICITY THIS DATE. NO INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED THIS OFFICE UCAB. MATTER REFERRED TO OSI OFFICE NIN AM EST TODAY.

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LINE X SIX SHUD LAST THREE WORDS BE WHXX THERE WAS BLOOD

YES THANKS ALSO LINE 10 SHUD IT BE THEY WERE UNABLE.

YES OK TU

12-11 PM OK FBI WA RD

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CC: MR. BELMONT
~~AND [illegible]VISOR~~
DOM. INTEL. DIVISION

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July 9, 1953

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[redacted]
Mackinac Island, Michigan

Dear Mr. [redacted]

Your letter of June 30, 1953, has been received in Mr. Hoover's absence from the city, and I am taking the liberty of acknowledging its receipt.

Your communication will be brought to his attention promptly following his return to Washington.

Sincerely yours,

Helen W. Gandy
Secretary

cc-Detroit, with copy of incoming.

cc-Cincinnati, with copy of incoming.

ATTENTION SAC: You are instructed to thoroughly check your files in an effort to determine whether or not the Mr. [redacted] referred to by correspondent has been interviewed by an Agent of your office. You should also furnish the Bureau any information which might assist in clarifying the story set forth by [redacted] Sulet results no later than July 15, 1953, under caption "Mr. [redacted], [redacted] [redacted] Mackinac Island, Michigan, Research (Crime Records)."

Follow-up made for July 16, 1953.

NOTE: Although inquiries regarding such phenomena are being handled by the Air Force at this present time, it is believed desirable to check the source of this rumor and following receipt of reply from Cincinnati, refer correspondent's inquiry to the Air Force. In 1939 and again in 1940 [redacted] invited the Director to attend the Michigan Hotel Convention, and both invitations were declined. An informant reported that in 1945 gambling on Mackinac Island was reserved for the Grand Hotel.

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[redacted]

June 30, 1953

Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

A relative of mine living in Circleville, Ohio has advised me of the followin account.

Two years ago a respected farmer living near Circleville saw a lighted object dancing around, flying around in the air near him late at night in a pasture or field, -- a flying saucer. In due time this came to have general knowledg in the community, and about one year ago the story appeared in the Circlevill newspaper.

Since then he is presumed to have been consulted with representatives of the F.B.I., so it is said there, and only three weeks ago or so it is said the F. representatives came to consult with him again. This time they brought picture to show the farmer of various types of these flying saucers or space ships th have been apprehended by the government from time to time, and the farmer was able to identify one of them as the type of thing he had seen two years ago.

The farmer was told, as the story goes, by your representatives, that the par ticular flying saucer he identified is the type that is known to have been fl down from the planet Mars, and that similar ships have been captured, and tha your agency or the government hold captive one man at least in California, who was taken from one of these things from Mars. This Martian it is understood i now being taught how to speak English -- in California -- and taught American customs. It is said that it is apparent that this Martian comes from a civ'l much more advanced than our own civilization.... and that this account has gen knowledge as reported here in that community.

I understand that the farmer is a Mr. [redacted], that he is held in very high repute in the community, prosperous, conservative and of presumed sound mind.

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I can only believe that the account is a lot of nonsense, insofar as the F.B.I. telling the farmer that the government has captured several "flying saucers", and that they are from Mars, and that a Martian is being held captive in Californ It would be apparent to me that if the government did have such knowledge, they would not confide such information to the farmer, -- and moreover that it is too utterly fantastic to credit with recognition as true. The farmer no doubt saw a "flying saucer", a light reflection or other light phenomenon such as the gover ment has said all such things really are, and not a space ship from Mars or anyot place in outer space.

I am writing to hopefully secure your advice, insofar as you can properly advise me publicly as a citizen, of what the truth is in this story. I should like to set my relative there straight. And I am curious personally to know what the rea story is about this farmer - Mr [redacted] of the Circleville, Ohio area.

Respectfully yours,

[redacted]

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Date: May 14, 1953

Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: FLYING SAUCERS

There is attached for your information and assistance in this matter a copy of a self-explanatory letter dated May 9, 1953, received by this Bureau from Mrs. [redacted] Watertown, Massachusetts. Mrs. [redacted] letter has been acknowledged by this Bureau and she has been informed that a copy of her letter has been referred to the Department of the Air Force for appropriate attention.

Attachment

cc - 1 - Boston (Under Separate Cover) (Attachment) (FOR INFO)

NOTE: Bureau files are negative re Mrs. [redacted]

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Watertown, Mass.
May 9, 1953

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Dear Sir:- (May 7th)

Thursday evening 9:25 PM I left school (M.I.T.) and entered the parking lot along side of the school. I happened to look up and I saw what seems to be known as a flying saucer. I assure you it was not an air plane, a search light nor a falling star. It was round in shape & a rather orange color it traveled horizontally at a rather slow speed for just a few seconds then disappeared. just like that. I was not alone at the time, another student was with me & saw it. I can give you his name [illegible] if you like it.

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When I arrived home I spent appr
an half hour calling C.D. & Air For
Ground operations etc finally after
getting no answers I called the
Watertown police who merely informed
me they didn't know what I should
do about it. It came as rather a
~~surprising to me~~, I ~~thought that~~
there was supposed to be somebody
on lookout at all times. I do
not know to whom I should write &
in desperation am writing to you. I
do hope you will report this to the
proper authorities for me and I hope
you will suggest to the local C.D.
that they should have somewhere
a someone that a person could call
to report such findings. I would appreciate
very much a reply from you. May
I just add that I honestly don't know
what the unknown object was. I never
before saw anything like it. I would
be very happy to supply any other
information you would like.
Thanking you very much,
Sincerely yours

[redacted]

[redacted]
Watertown [illegible] Mass.

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May 14, 1953

Mrs. [redacted]
Watertown, Massachusetts

Dear [redacted]

I have received your letter of May 9, 1953, and I want to thank you for making the information contained in your letter available to me.

Inasmuch as the information contained in your letter comes within the jurisdiction of the Department of the Air Force, I have furnished a copy of your letter to that Department for appropriate attention.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

cc - 1 - Boston

(FOR INFORMATION)

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NOTE: Bureau files are negative re Mrs. [redacted]

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI DATE: 4/28/53

FROM : SAC, SAN JUAN (65-330)

SUBJECT: UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT OBSERVED
11:30 AM, APRIL 8, 1953, FORT
BUCHANAN, PUERTO RICO:
MISCELLANEOUS
FLYING SAUCER

On 4/27/53 a report was received from Major [redacted] Wing Intelligence Officer, Ramey Air Force Base, Puerto Rico. The substance of this report is as follows:

Five persons observed an unidentified flying object at 11:30 AM on 4/8/53 at Fort Buchanan, Puerto Rico. Statements were taken from all of the witnesses, among whom were three Captains and a Sergeant of the U. S. Army, as well as a civilian. They described the object as a bright star or a bright ball of fire at a great height, and it was moving rapidly at the time it was observed.

All of the witnesses observed one RB 36 aircraft which had been flying in the area at the time of the sighting of this unidentified object. The Wing Intelligence Officer reported that there were two RB 36 aircraft in the area at this time. These aircraft were reported to be flying at 12,000 and 21,000 feet respectively. None of the persons from whom statements were taken were able to accurately describe the object, other than by the statements set forth above.

This matter is being reported to the Bureau for information purposes.

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5/7/53 San Juan advised no need to disseminate OSI [illegible] have info.

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March 23, 1953

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Mr. [redacted]
Valparaiso, Chile

Dear Mr. [redacted]

I want to take this opportunity to thank you for your letter of March 4, 1953.

The interest which prompted you to make your observations available to me is sincerely appreciated. Since your communication may be of interest to another governmental agency, I am taking the liberty of forwarding a copy of it to The Honorable, The Secretary of the Air Force, The Pentagon, Washington 25, D. C.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

cc-Foreign Liaison Desk, with copy of incoming.
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TRANSLATION FROM SPANISH

Valparaiso, March 4, 1953

Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington
United States, North America

Subject: Individual who may possibly be connected with flying saucers.

Dear Sir:

In writing to you who directs the influential Office of Investigation which has international connections, I would like to state the following:

1°-a) I had the opportunity to read in a "Chilean" police magazine, in the section entitled, "Perfect Escapes," the escape of Dr. LINKE (42 years old, widower, who sometime in 1950, in London, was arrested on the 8th floor of the Building of Departments (?). The reason for his detention was his possible collaboration with VLADIMIR VLASAV in "divulging to foreign governments English aviation secrets".)

In his attempt to get away, which occurred between 4 and 5 in the morning, a strange thing happened, "when the police came near the 8th floor, the whole building became dark, the elevators stopped and the telephones and loudspeakers became silent. When the police arrived on the 8th floor with their flash lights, they immediately went off. (Nevertheless, he was arrested at 6 A.M.).

b) Dr. LINKE escaped from the Kent Prison (a few days after he was imprisoned) and according to statements of the author of the article, which should be accurate, he did it in the following manner: Between 12 midnight and 2 A.M., in rainy weather, Dr. JULIUS LINKE disappeared under the following circumstances: the electricity, elevators, telephones, and flash lights of the guards would not function.

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According to the article, among other statements of the guards, was the fact that between midnight and 2 o'clock rain fell in torrents and for a few moments there was complete darkness because the lights went off. A guard tried to ring the alarm which would set off the siren, and it did not work; he yelled to another guard but did not get an answer, and his voice sounded very "distant"; although he tried to warn his chiefs personally, he could not run or even walk fast (he had to walk slowly).

2°).—A little before the fall of Berlin, "the motors of autos and trucks stopped unexpectedly," without any apparent explanation; after one hour they succeeded in starting them again. During this occasion it was commented that "something rare occurred in the atmosphere."

3° - About three months ago I read in a local newspaper about the "flying saucers," with the reservation that perhaps they would be speculating about the flying saucers; however, it is undeniable that they were telling the truth. It stated that, according to the article from a news agency, an officer and his associate who were flying a plane saw a "flying saucer." They followed it, but it, as in previous cases, whirled about and could not be reached. However, the flying saucer flew very high and then it began a rapid descent; it stopped a few seconds on the officer's airplane, paralizing the motors of the airplane, (according to statements of the aviators). Later the disk flew very high and was lost from view, and the airplane motors began working.

Any inference from the above statements — according to my way of thinking, -- that these facts may appear to be imaginary, is dispelled by the statements of various witnesses on each occasion, and therefore they are "scientific" facts.

If on two occasions paralization of electricity occurred, as well as what we may call paralization of vital forces (in the case of the guards), and in said cases "the interference of one person," Dr. LINKE, is inferred, why could not Dr. LINKE also be connected with the other two cases (2 and 3)?

It may be that all this is not in any way related and that the flying saucers are nothing more than what has been given as a scientific explanation, but the "strange force," about which our ancestors have not spoken to us in history, we cannot deny.

I submit for your full consideration all I have said, my only motive being "human interest for human affairs" and my desire for the progress of humanity, for a good future full of dignity and cosmic evolution.

Without further particulars, I remain

Sincerely yours,

[redacted]
Chile, South America

P. S. Please acknowledge receipt of this letter.

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Date: March 12, 1953

To:

Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

From:

John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: FLYING SAUCERS

At 9:05 p.m. on March 9, 1953, an individual giving his name as [redacted] telephonically contacted this Bureau and advised he had just seen a flying saucer near Bowie, Maryland. Mr. [redacted] was vague as to any details in this matter and would not furnish any information concerning his residence or the place from which he was making his telephone call. No additional pertinent information in this matter was furnished by Mr. [redacted]

The above is being furnished to you for your information and assistance in the captioned matter. No investigation is being conducted by this Bureau concerning this matter.

AFFECTED AGENCIES AND FIELD OFFICES ADVISED BY ROUTING SLIP(S) 2040 9/1/77

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : *A. H. Belmont*

DATE: *March 10, 1953*

FROM : *L. E. Martin*

SUBJECT: *FLYING SAUCERS*
[redacted], INFORMANT

[redacted] called from Bowie, Maryland, at 9:05 P.M., 3/9/53, to advise that he had just seen a flying saucer near that city. He was vague as to details and nonresponsive as to where he was calling from and as to his residence. When asked where he planned to stay tonight, at least, in order that Air Force might interview him if deemed advisable, [redacted] said the writer wanted to know too much and disconnected. Since no specific information was furnished and since the call may have been a prank, the Air Force was not advised. Since no identifying information was obtained, no attempt was made to check Bureau records.

Recommendation:

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Date: March 6, 1953

To: Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

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From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: FLYING SAUCERS

The following information has been received by this Bureau from its representative in London, England, concerning the captioned matter:

> Major [redacted] U. S. Air Force Base, Mildenhall, England, telephonically contacted the writer on February 14, 1953, regarding the new or revived interest in "flying saucers." He stated he did not have any new information to report but he knew of an incident that took place several years ago which this Bureau might desire to check.
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> This incident, according to Major [redacted] concerns an article or story on "flying saucers" which appeared in a small newspaper with limited circulation located at Jeffersonville, Delaware Township, Sullivan County, New York. He was unable to recall the name of the newspaper but was certain it is the only one published in that area. The story appeared in one of the early 1947 issues or in one of the issues during the last three months of 1946. It was written by a member of the U. S. Armed Forces and of significance is the fact that subsequent issues failed to follow it up by

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carrying additional stories on "flying saucers." Also significant is the fact that it appeared in a small and practically unknown newspaper.

Major [redacted] states he is merely reporting this for what it may be worth.

The above data is being furnished to you for your information and any action you desire to take in connection therewith, inasmuch as this Bureau is not conducting any investigations relating to the captioned matter.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

[redacted] RS

SECRET - AIR COURIER

Date: February 17, 1953

To: Director, FBI

From: [redacted]

Subject: "FLYING SAUCERS"

[redacted] at the U. S. Air Force Base at Mildenhall, England, telephonically contacted writer on February 14, 1953, regarding the new or revived interest in "flying saucers." He stated he did not have any new information to report but did know of an incident that took place several years ago and which the Bureau may desire to check.

This incident, according to [redacted], concerns an article or story on "flying saucers" which appeared in a small newspaper with limited circulation in the Township of Jeffersonville, Delaware Township, Sullivan County, New York. He was unable to recall the name of the newspaper but was certain it is the only one published in that area. The story appeared in one of the early 1947 issues or in one of the issues during the last three months of 1946. It was written by a member of the U. S. Armed Forces and of significance is the fact that subsequent issues failed to follow it up by carrying additional stories on "flying saucers." Also significant is the fact that it appeared in a small and practically unknown newspaper.

[redacted] states he is merely reporting this for what it may be worth and is being forwarded to the Bureau for any action considered appropriate.

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Date: February 11, 1953

To: Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: FLYING DISCS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

There are attached for your information in the captioned matter a Photostat of a letter dated January 20, 1953, received by this Bureau from Mr. [redacted] Franklin, Indiana, with the enclosures referred to therein, and a copy of this Bureau's reply to Mr. [redacted]

No investigation is being conducted by this Bureau in this matter.

Attachment

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January 27, 1953

[redacted]
Franklin, Indiana

Dear [redacted]

Your letter dated January 20, 1953, has been received, together with enclosures.

Although I would like to be of service in connection with your request, I would like to point out that the FBI is strictly a fact-finding agency and it is not within the scope of its prescribed authority to make evaluations or draw conclusions as to the character or integrity of any organization or individual. I know you will understand the reason for this rule and will appreciate my inability to be of assistance to you in this regard.

The literature and letter you forwarded are being returned.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Enclosures (2)

cc - Indianapolis, with copy of incoming and copy of letter signed by [redacted]
cc - New Haven, with copy of incoming and copy of letter signed by [redacted]
ATTENTION SAC's: (see next page)

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ATTENTION SAC's: Correspondent also enclosed a copy of the January 19, 1953 issue of "Space Review", the publication of The International Flying Saucer Bureau, indicating the address as Post Office Box 241, Bridgeport, Connecticut. This small periodical contains news of various I.F.S.B. groups throughout the United States and England and news items relating to flying saucers.

No references can be located in Bufiles on the I.F.S.B.; "Space Review" or [redacted]

JOHNSON COUNTY
DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL DEFENSE
MONROE AND JACKSON STREETS
FRANKLIN, INDIANA

[redacted]

20 January 1953

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Director Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Sir:

I would first like to apologize for writing to you direct, however, I have cleared this morning with our State Director and he suggests this procedure.

We have been having some success with our Ground Observation Corps as we have four (4) posts here in the county.

Last Fall I was contacted by one of our local business men wanting to know if I would be interested in joining the International Flying Saucer Bureau. I told him that I would and did join with the idea fully in mind of having the local people who are interested in Flying Saucers also work in our Civil Defense Program. We are only too willing to co-operate in any way we can with Civil Defense. The city of Franklin is approximately twenty (20) miles southwest of Indianapolis, on the dual lane highway U S #31.

I am enclosing a letter which was received last October, as well as the current issue of SPACE REVIEW. Would like to know if this organization has been cleared or is subversive in any way.

I would appreciate your expediting this information back to us so that we will know what steps to take in further enlisting interested persons in our program.

If you do not require the enclosures please return them.

[redacted]

Home Address:
[redacted]
Franklin, Indiana.

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WE WANT YOU TO MEET

EDGAR L. PLUNKETT, BRITISH REPRESENTATIVE—Born at Bristol, Glos., England, on December 26, 1903. Covered most parts of the world as a radio operator at sea from 1922 to 1936, including the U.S.A., notably New York, Boston, Baltimore, Norfolk, Newport News, Tampa, Mobile, and many other ports. Has many interesting memories of the prohibition days, the gangster era, Jack Dempsey, Babe Ruth, Lou Gehrig and other notable highlights. Has worked for many years for Anglo-American friendship and still corresponds with friends here in U.S.A. Was called to service in 1939. Was rescued from Dunkirk Beaches by the French Destroyer L'Incomprise on June 1, 1940. Went to Middle East in 1941, and served through three Western Desert Campaigns with the British 8th Army. After fall of Tunis was commissioned in Palestine and was then posted in Egypt. Returned to England at the end of the war after four and a half years service overseas as a Captain. Now employed by his original firm as a clerk.

He has a wife and three children, their ages are Denis 21, now with the RAF, Diana 18, and Michael 14. Hobbies are writing and reading and other journalistic yearnings including poetry, plus an unabated desire to travel. Since the formation of Civil Defense a year or so ago, he has become a qualified instructor and lectures three evenings weekly to industrial personnel.

Mr. Plunkett has shown great interest in IPSB activities and will without a doubt prove to be our most valuable foreign representative.

ASSOCIATE EDITOR

(Next Issue—April 1, 1953)

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EXCERPTS FROM A SUMMARY OF A FIVE-YEAR FLYING SAUCER INVESTIGATION

By George D. Fawcett, International Council, IFSB

I have just decided to stop investigation that I began a little over five years ago on one of the most fascinating mysteries of modern times, that being the well known "Flying Saucer" phenomena. Since the summer of 1947 when the first saucer scare broke out in the United States, I have spent much of my time, money and energy seeking a solution to this riddle. While carrying on my private investigations I was able to interview several astronomers, scientists, pilots and guided missile experts, who had spotted these saucers or at least had been investigating or studying these strange objects. In addition to these interviews I have talked to many eye-witnesses who had sighted these objects throughout the United States and have mailed questionnaires out to many others.

I have kept bulletins and scrapbooks on the saucers for the past five years, and while going to college I wrote a six-page pamphlet entitled "The Flying Saucer Phenomena" for my friends, teachers, and classmates. I have lectured to several groups in Lynchburg. Though I've been interested in this phenomena from the very first, my sighting of an orange disk like globe which hovered for four minutes over the Lynchburg College administration building in Lynchburg, Virginia, on the morning of July 6, 1951, has increased my interest threefold since then. That is one of my reasons for stopping my investigation. It's really too big a job for one person to handle. We must realize that we are dealing with a phenomena that is as fantastic as it is fascinating. Many of the reports that I have been able to gather in my collection tend to back this statement.

Some recent thoughts about the "flying saucers" are that perhaps there will be some landings soon. This doesn't seem too far-fetched as that these flying saucers are still being seen everywhere, for longer periods of time, and in groups instead of alone, as well as more reports of huge saucer or rocket ships. Then, too, they seem to come and go at will, perhaps being stationed as satellites themselves.

I feel that our government must know something about these saucers because in my opinion at this very moment the United States Government is carrying on an educational program regarding interplanetary travel of our country. Perhaps space ships from other planets are already here! At any rate, whether they are trying to prevent religious controversy or panic or for any other motives which they might have, our government is still releasing, denying, suppressing and even plating reports at intervals for some reason.

Regardless, the future will tell! In closing, I'd like to use a favorite phrase of Charlie Lineberry, Lynchburg College student who said, "things are really looking up." I wonder if some things aren't looking DOWN, too; Sooner or later we're bound to find out, and to this all I can say is, "the sooner, the better."

EDITOR'S NOTE: Mr. Fawcett's discussions and opinions will be found in future issues of Space Review.

ATTENTION MEMBERS AND OFFICERS If you would be interested in receiving an emblem to wear on your coat lapel with our club letters "IFSB" engraved on a Saucer background, we would be interested in knowing. We cannot order these emblems unless we get enough people showing interest. The price would be approximately $1.00 each. Please let us know as soon as possible. Thank you!

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SAUCER SIGHTINGS BY IFSB MEMBERS

Exclusive! From Franklin, Indiana and Surrounding Towns

SIGHTING NO. 4—On the morning of July 28, 1952 in the skies to the southeast and at times directly over Franklin, Indiana appeared three strange objects. Their flight was watched by a large number of men of sound mind and character. The following is compiled from a Police report turned in by Capt. Lee Sloan, Patrolman Jack W. Moore and Patrolman Kenneth Rund of the Franklin, Indiana Police Department on Monday morning, July 28, 1952 at 6:00 a.m. These objects were witnessed by policemen, civilian authorities, and members of the United States Army. After notifying all proper authorities of the objects no definite steps were taken by the army or otherwise. The report is as follows:

There were three objects, one larger and brighter than the two smaller objects. The larger of the three seemed to cast off a white yellowish light. Its pattern of flight seemed to be that of a circle. It seemed to always be keeping track of the two smaller objects. The two smaller objects cast off a distinctive light of their own, one being an orange hue and the other a reddish color. The two smaller ones seemed to be in a dog fight all their own, since they executed barrel rolls, loops and spins. They made turns of 90 degrees and 45 degrees without losing any degree of speed, as well as dancing up and down as if someone was playing with a giant yo-yo. The objects made single sorties to the south completely out of sight, to return almost immediately into view again, joining the other in a neatly executed show of turns, loops and spins. We estimated their height at approximately 15,000 feet while their speed varied from an estimated 1900 miles per hour to an estimated 10,000 miles per hour. Even with a pair of binoculars it was almost an impossibility to determine any exact shape other than that they appeared to be round and flat as a saucer. They were observed for a period of four hours and fifteen minutes. Dawn came at 4:48 a.m. and all stars had gone around 5:00 a.m. At 5:03 a.m. it was bright day, light—and the three objects were still visible. Their color did not change in daylight. At 5:11 a.m. the larger of the three objects was joined by the two smaller ones; the smaller objects one at a time disappeared above the larger, first the orange, then the red. After seeming to envelope the two smaller objects it moved up and to the west out of sight. The joining of the three objects and the disappearance of the larger took exactly 40 seconds. These objects were verified by: Edinburg Police Dept., Camp Atterbury, Ind.; Columbus Police Dept.; Seymour State Police Dept., Greensburg Police Dept., North Vernon Police Dept., Connersville Police Dept. Connersville State Police Post; Fort Wayne, Ind.; and Madison, Ind. Mr. Moore and Mr. Rund are IFSB members now.

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SIGHTING NO. 5—Louie Masonick, Jr., Representative for Minnesota

Sighted a round object Northeast of Long Prairie, Minnesota about 2:30 p.m., April 20, 1952. It was a dull gray color, traveling about 250 MPH and when it ascended their was a low hum. It was about 5,000 feet high and was visable for about 45 seconds. Direction of flight was from East to West in one direct path.

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SIGHTING NO. 6—Alan K. Starr Member from California

Sighted a disc shaped object in the East of Los Angeles about 9:08 p.m. on September 22, 1952. It was a yellowish white in color, and remained in a stationary position for about 4 seconds. It was about [illegible] degrees above the horizon. It was about 50 feet in diameter and traveling due north.

When sending in your report on Saucer Sightings, please give the date that you saw the saucer. Thank you!

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TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE I.F.S.B.—GREETINGS FROM ENGLAND

Capt. Edgar L. Plunkett, British Representative

Are we on the verge of a breath-taking discovery? Yes, I believe we really are! To quote Captain Eddie Rickenbacker, "Too many good men have seen Flying Saucers for us to dismiss them lightly as hallucinations."

The nineteenth and twentieth centuries have produced a number of astonishing discoveries notably the dreaded atom bomb, and also has had to discard in many cases previously held convictions such as that "matter is indestructible".

Even the average layman today, due to increased educational facilities, and access to literature of all kinds, has a very good idea that life in all its forms consists of "energy", and that this energy somehow links back to some form of pulsating orbital structure like unto the universe, but on an infinitesimally smaller scale. Therefore, it is—to me at least—quite believable that it is possible that somewhere —something—someone—has solved the riddle of this energy, etheric, electromagnetic, call it what you will. Having progressed so far, it follows that given elements capable of withstanding immense stresses and strains, the propulsion of what has become known as the "Flying Saucer" becomes a possibility. It is known that between the Sun, Moon, and our Earth, and presumably between other inter-planetary and possibly interstellar bodies there exists magnetic lines of force, thus if some form of aircraft or saucer has control of the means of attraction and repulsion, these lines of force which by the way never touch one another, would form the perfect highway along which to travel at the speed of light, and probably very much faster. It would also account for the capability of these so-called "saucers" to accomplish right-angled turns, inasmuch that these known magnetic waves emanate in all directions. Therefore, from the point of view of the average thinking man in the street, I say, "I believe the flying saucer does exist, and that the coming years will vindicate such men as Captain Mantell, Kenneth Arnold, and countless other pioneers in this field." In conclusion, may I say to all IFSB members at home and abroad, "carry on the good work, and above all, do not be disappointed, discouraged or deluded by the jeers and sneers of the ignorant so-called majority."

The best of everything for the New Year ahead!

Yours fraternally, E. L. PLUNKETT

MYSTERIOUS CRAFT

by Gail Sprague

Out of the dark, mysterious, depths of space,
Came strange looking craft at a tremendous pace.
Their course was true, the third planet from the sun,
Their orders: Don't return until your task is done.
Down they descended; some got out.
"Be back in 24 hours," the commander told the scout.
Time went fast, all returned.
Off went the craft, bearing all they'd learned.
The decision was reached, never again,
On this small planet they'd ever land.
Wars, corruption, prejudice and greed,
Made this the worst of all planets, all agreed.

OUT THERE

by Victor Root

Out in space lies my destiny,
Out there, beyond the clouds;
Where winds have not yet blown,
Where man has not yet gone;
That's where I long to roam.

Out in space lies my destiny,
Out there, among the stars;
Where night is forever ruling,
Where solitude is soothing;
That's where I long to roam.

Give me a silver ship,
To make the happy trip;
Out there, among the stars.

DIRECTORY OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following are additional representatives since our last publication.

BRITISH REPRESENTATIVE—Edgar L. Plunkett, 71 Chedworth Rd., Horfield, Bristol 7, England; Assistant Representative for Britain—Denis Plunkett

PUERTO RICAN REPRESENTATIVE—Luis Luhring, Box 23, Punta Santiago

COLORADO—Verna M. Hampton, 4245 Alcott St., Denver

MAINE—Allan Levinsky, 59 Atlantic St., Portland

MISSOURI—Ralph Hetzel, 6 Scarsdale, St. Louis 17

NEW JERSEY—August C. Roberts, 443 Ogden Ave., Jersey City

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WEST VIRGINIA—Gray Barker, Box 981, Clarksburg

Above names will not be published again. Additional names in future issues.

Anyone that wishes to correspond with other members will please send us permission to print your name and address so that others will know that you desire correspondence. We do not publish lists of our members' names and addresses without permission from them.

LET'S LOOK AT THE MAGAZINES

READERS DIGEST FOR JULY 1952—Two articles: "Have We Visitors from Space," and "Flying Saucers—New in Name Only."

TRUE MAGAZINE, SEPT. 1952—"The Flying Saucers and the Mysterious Little Men."
OCT. 1952—"We Flew Above Flying Saucers."
DEC. 1952—"What Radar Tells About Flying Saucers."

QUICK MAGAZINE, OCT. 20, 1952—"Moonbound," Page 18.

COLLIER'S, OCT. 18, 1952—"Man on the Moon."
OCT. 25, 1952—"More About Man on the Moon."

PIC MAGAZINE, NOV. 1952—"How Do Saucers Fly?"

SIR MAGAZINE, DEC. 1952—"Flying Saucers and the Air Around Us."

MR. MAGAZINE, JAN. 1953—"Is Washington Afraid of Flying Saucers?"

MAN TO MAN MAGAZINE, JAN. 1953—"Flying Saucers Are Not New."

THE MYSTERY OF OTHER WORLDS REVEALED—A Fawcett Book No. 166. Excellent. A four star edition—one of the finest to date in the pulp line. Cost 75c. We advise all saucer-minded folk to get this magazine. It is only once in a great while that a publisher puts out such a fine publication. Contains news of Space Travel; Flying Saucers; and Rocket Development.

These magazines are in the IFSB LIBRARY as part of our collection. We will send written information to anyone that may have questions on above magazines.

Coming in April "SPACE REVIEW"—"SAUCERITIS" by John Armitage of England. An article that will make you really THINK!
A COMPLETE LISTING OF ALL OF OUR OFFICERS AND COUNCIL MEMBERS

HIGHLIGHTS ABOUT REPRESENTATIVES

DICK CAMPBELL, Rep. Indiana—Rep. Campbell has written us many interesting letters and aided in making his home town of Franklin the only city in the world with the most IFSB members. At present it totals over twenty. He was assisted by Mr. Louis Frahm, and Mr. Jack Moore of that place.

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J. RONALD ALBERT, rep. Ontario, Canada—Will be appointed Representative of CANADA AT LARGE. Doing a fine job. Would like more Canadians to join club.

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VICTOR ROOT, Rep. *Illinois—One of our most* valuable *representatives.* He has spent much time preparing a map of the United States showing the places where saucers have been sighted. He is quite a poet, too; see his poem in this issue. Mr. Root presented the IFSB with this saucer map. We are proud of it We are sorry to say that Mr. Root may have to *move to California* in the *near future.* It will be very hard to replace such an ardent worker.

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EARL D. BROADDUS, Rep. Kentucky—Obtained two new members for IFSB. One of them members, a Mrs. Glenn C. Fuller, saw a *flying* saucer. *Her report* will be in our next issue of "Space Review". Mr. Broaddus is spreading the word about IFSB.

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DIANE BUCHANAN, Rep. Iowa—Obtained a new member, and has clippings she intends to send in to IFSB.

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GAIL SPRAGUE, Rep. Wisconsin—Gail is quite the cartoonist. She sent in a cartoon for us which really made the International Staff roll off their chairs. She showed the parlor of a home with the *front* door open, a *strange looking creature* had walked in the door leaving muddy tracks on the floor. Outside can be seen a saucer parked on the lawn. A housewife approaches the creature and this is what she says: "I don't care where you're from. Look at my clean rug."' She also sent us a fine poem that appears in this issue. Gail obtained a new member *for us also. She sure is showing fine interest.*

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ALLAN LEVINSKY, Rep. Maine—Claims that very few people are seeing saucers in Maine. Is doing his best to get people interested in IFSB.

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ROBERT R. RITTER, Rep. Tennessee—Chalks up another member for IFSB.

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LUIS LUHRING, Rep. Puerto Rico—Mr. Luhring has sent us numerous clippings from Puerto Rico about saucers. He plans to get as many people as possible to join IFSB. He says that the interest in saucers is as great in Puerto Rico as anyplace else.

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S. L. DAW, Rep. Washington, D.C.—We are happy to have for our representative in Washington, D.C., the first member of the clergy, Reverend Daw. Mr. Daw, as he prefers to be called by club members, is doing great work for IFSB. We are anxiously awaiting to see his actual photos of saucers, that he took himself.

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RONALD KINNEAR, Rep. New York—Took upon himself to advertise in his own state and had 50 post cards printed and plans to mail them out, in his state.

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We are not getting any reports from some of our Representatives. It is absolutely necessary that we hear from you, so please do your best to get those monthly reports rolling in on time.

"MY THEORY"

by IFSB Members

THEORY NO. 6—Submitted by BARBARA KNORR, Member from Connecticut

Everybody seems to believe that the "saucers", whatever they are, come from this Solar System. I do not believe any other planet but ours can support intelligent life. Perhaps plant life, but not human.

I do believe that *if* our planet can support life, why not other planets in other Solar Systems. I do not believe that these people wish to destroy us because if they had they could have done so long ago. Also, how do we know that these things we see are not beings themselves.

THEORY NO. 7—Submitted by Representative LOUIE MASONICK, JR., of Minnesota

My theory is one most IFSB members seem to have. First, I believe they are *from* another planet. All those stars must have something going around them. All those celestial bodies must be up there *for some reason*, besides to look at. Then, also, they may even be *from* our Solar System.

I do not think an official agency of our government should come out and say—"we do not know what they are and whether or not they are a menace." The best way to reveal the objects would be through clubs like the IFSB. I do not believe that they are a menace. I think there is intelligent life on them and that they are just observing us.

THEORY NO. 8—Submitted by Representative ALAN RIEVMAN of Connecticut

My theory on the origin of the "flying saucers" is that they are definitely real and are from one of the planets of our Solar System. I do not believe that they are from one of the other Solar Systems. These "neighbors" probably thought that our planet could not have intelligent life upon it, but with the first atomic explosion they may have changed their minds.

I am sure that they are not from Earth because if they were ours it would be impossible to keep it quiet and if they were from a foreign government they wouldn't be flying over the United States. They would risk being shot down and their secret revealed to us.

THEORY NO. 9—Submitted by Representative VICTOR ROOT of Illinois

My theory is that the "flying saucers" are manned ships controlled and operated by intelligent creatures who are scouting our world. They will not try to make contact with us *for many* reasons. One is that we are too warlike and emotional. Another is that we have diseases which may harm or even kill them. Some day when we reach out and touch the planets we may meet them. A race of intelligent creatures other than ourselves, certainly does exist.

THEORY NO. 10—Submitted by ALAN STAZER, Member from California

I think that the "flying saucers" are from the solar system of ALPHA or PROXIMA CENTUARI. Most likely the 3rd or 4th planet. The planet is probably about 4000 miles in diameter and two-thirds as big as the earth. Some other reasons are that Centauri is too far distant for observation of such a small body as a planet. This star is of about the same size and the same spectral, type-GO, as the Sun. Editor's Note: WOW!

All theories become the property of IFSB and cannot be returned.

SCIENCE FICTION NEWS

Alan C. Rievman

Victor Root, Illinois Rep. of IFSB, has some Science-Fiction mags for sale, or free in exchange. He is selling them for a small fee. Write to IFSB for address.

The DECEMBER, 1952, issue of FATE magazine is a must to all IFSB members and officers. It contains an article by Curtis Fuller, entitled, "Let's Get Straight About the Saucers." A complete detailed story of the incident of the scoutmaster described in our January issue, is discussed with a picture of the scoutmaster. SUBSCRIBE TO FATE MAGAZINE AND KEEP UP TO DATE ON THE SAUCERS. Write to 806 Dempster Street, Evanston, Illinois

New Pocket Books on Stands. Dell No. 627, "When Worlds Collide" by Philip Wylie and Edwin Balmer. Pocket Book No. 908, "New Tales of Space and Time", edited by Raymond J. Healy.

Thanks to Ray Palmer for our letter in the December issue of "Other Worlds" Clark Publishing Co., 806 Dempster St., Evanston, Illinois. Let's subscribe.

NEW BOOK BY VIKING PRESS "Across the Space Frontier", edited by Cornelius Ryan, $3.95, Viking, New York.

RANDOM HOUSE HAS DONE IT AGAIN WITH: "By Space Ship to the Moon", written by Jack Coggins and Fletcher Pratt, foreword by Willy Ley. $1.

SCIENCE FICTION NEWS-LETTER, by our Council Member, "Bob" Tucker, P.O. Box 702, Bloomington, Illinois.

THE UNITED STATES ROCKET SOCIETY, Box 29, Glen Ellyn, Illinois.

Hollywood is coming out with two good movies: "War of the Worlds" and "The Conquest of Space".

SAUCER REVIEW, by Elliott Rockmore, a member of our Council. P.O. Box 148, Wall St. Station, New York 5, N.Y.

Owners of tape recorders or wire recorders: Join T.R.I. (Tape-respondence International. Send your voice to your correspondents) 3488—22nd St., San Francisco 10, Calif.

BORDERLAND SCIENCES RESEARCH ASSOCIATES located at 3524 Adams Ave., San Diego 16, California, would like to have IFSB members join their society.

Many new Science Fiction Mags are hitting the newsstands and some are good while others are the usual run. A few of the better ones are: Tops in SF; Science Fiction Quarterly and Fantastic.

Two good S-F books: "Robots Have No Tails" by Lewis Padgett and "Player Piano" by Kurt Vonnegut. Both humorous line.

The officers of IFSB are planning on issuing a 12-page booklet sometime next year with a complete record on all saucer reports that they now have collected. This booklet will not be a regular issue of "Space Review", but a separate issue and will sell for 50c to everyone. Our President, Mr. Bender, will write the foreword with comments throughout by officials of IFSB. The booklet will be entitled: IFSB REPORTS ON THE SAUCERS. If interested, write!

We would like members and officers to send in snapshots of themselves so that when the time comes for us to print pictures in Space Review, we will have the photos available.

MENTION "SPACE REVIEW" when writing to any of above mentioned publications.

This page will be eliminated in future issues, and will be replaced by articles on "saucers".

EDITORIAL

In 1492 Columbus discovered a new world after traveling thousands of miles across the great expanse of unknown waters called the Atlantic Ocean. It was a great adventure, yet one that was laughed at, ridiculed, and even spoke of as a "folly".

Here was a small group of men searching for what lay beyond the known, endeavoring to unfold the mysteries of lands that were not supposed to exist. All they had were three small ships laden with provisions that they estimated would last the journey.

The seas were infested with monsters, so the skeptics said, and the world was flat with a dropping off place. Columbus proved these fallacies to be wront, when he landed in the West Indies.

The years directly ahead of us will see another great adventure such as this. A small group of men will assemble in a certain designated place, climb into their ship, a ship vastly different than that of Columbus's time. This ship will be a rocket shop, and its occupants will shoot off into the vast sea of space to find new worlds, new peoples, and new frontiers.

They will be laughed at, they will be ridiculed, and the whole thing will be called the greatest "folly" on earth, but will it be such? Time has proven that impossibilities become realities—the automobile, the airplane, radio, telephone, telegraph, television, and the smashing of the atom are definate proof. All is possible to one who believes,—and I am a sound believer!

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FROM THE ASSOCIATE EDITOR'S DESK

The mysteries of space have long fascinated most people on earth. One need not be an astronomer to gaze in awe at the sight which unfolds before the eyes as we gaze skyward on any clear night.

The vastness of space is difficult to explain, even for astronomers. When distances are spoken of it is simpler for learned men to use the term "light years" than miles. The number of celestial bodies suspended in space like our own earth are unknown. The guesses are from millions on up. But they remain just that—guesses.

We, who make our home on a mere cinder of matter in the eyes of space, cannot be naive enough to think that intelligent life exists only here. Those who believe that there is a purpose for everything which happens, should agree that these millions of bodies in space must serve more of a purpose than just twinkling brightly on a clear night.

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SUTTON, WEST VIRGINIA MONSTER MAY BE "COLLIER'S" ROCKET!

Rev. S. L. Dow, Washington, D.C., Representative, IFSB

I have personally photographed flying saucers six times and personally photographed the place where one landed in Charleston, West Virginia. I also talked to two eye-witnesses. I saw and talked to a police officer who was burned by one in Wheeling, West Virginia. My own cousin was the doctor who treated him.

I attempted to photograph one going over Melessa Pass, 5000 feet up in the Blue Ridge mountains, as I was at a height of 2500 feet at Wahala Glen just directly opposite from Melessa Pass. The picture was not too good due to the mist from the mountains."

The object that landed at Charleston, West Virginia was described as a large metal ball, throwing off a white light and after landing, two small men in red emerged from a trap in the top and climbed up a tree to look around. Seeing people watching them, they got back in and took off. We can prove what this was: In the attempt to shoot rockets to the moon, there is a device with the motors on the wings and the body of the device is a jet propelled apparatus which throws off a large metal shaped disc which throws off a red color from the center which when reflected could easily be taken for some sort of a small person. This was described in Collier's magazine of October 11, 1952.

According to the Washington Daily News, the monster seen at Sutton, West Virginia could be the rocket described in Collier's magazine. The picture on the cover of the magazine shows a sphere-headed, wide-bottomed, tank-bellied rocket craft spewing out burning hydrazine and nitric acid as it lands hind-end on the moon. The West Virginia people claimed to have seen: "An object estimated at 10 feet tall, four feet wide at the bottom and in the shape of a man. Two lights flashed from side to side, the machine made a noise like gas escaping, and a sharp sickening odor was about." Sounds somewhat the same.

The United States may be experimenting with something that the public is not aware of, and it is doing its best to keep it a secret. The age of rocket ships is just around the corner.

CIVILIAN SAUCER INVESTIGATION OF NEW ZEALAND CONTACTS IFSB

The Civilian Saucer Investigation of New Zealand was set up in New Zealand on October 13, 1952. They plan to prove or disapprove the existence of saucers. It has no affiliation with the Government, the armed forces, or to any society to which its members may belong. Most of the members have been studying flying saucer reports for at least five years. They represent all interested parties, astronomers, scientists, aviators, and the man in the street. The committee consists of Mr. H. H. Fulton, a sergeant in the R.N.Z.A.F. attached to engineering, who is the President of CSI of NZ; Mr. R. J. Lavaris, a member of the Territorial Air Force, who is the secretary of CSI of NZ; Mr. G. H. Gilmore, aviation engineering inspector; D. Lavaris, a student studying for a science degree; and E. J. Greager, an astronomer and engineer.

Aims of the committee are to correspond with kindred bodies overseas, and to ultimately find the origin of flying saucers and their comparison.

Mr. H. H. Fulton, and Mr. R. J. Lavaris have been made members of the International Council of IFSB. We hope to establish friendly relations with this society and get a representative in New Zealand. CSI sent to IFSB a large map of New Zealand showing all spots where saucers have been sighted with a history of each sighting. A complete report on this will be made in our next issue. We wish CSI of New Zealand the best of luck and hope they will be a success.

SAUCERS IN THE NEWS

MAYAGUEZ, PUERTO RICO, Oct. 3, 1952—Strange objects were sighted by two persons in Mayaguez on Oct. 3, they were cruising East and were red in color. It was about 10:[illegible]0 p.m. when they were sighted.

NORWAY AND SWEDEN, Oct. 13, 1952—During October the Norwegian Government stated that a strange object resembling a saucer landed on Norwegian soil. German experts are claiming that the devices are of Russian origin, and the description given by Norway fits the description given by German experts. Stockholm, Sweden, has also been sighting strange objects.

MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA, Sept. 13, 1952—A young woman sighted a noiseless green ball flying too fast to be a plane or a meteor. She said it smelled like a rotten egg.

STUTTGART, GERMANY, Nov. 1, 1952—At the recent meeting of the third International Astronautical Congress in Germany where 200 scientists from 12 countries gathered they stated that saucers are not from Mars or any other planet. They said they are merely optical and atmospheric illusions.

LONG ISLAND NEW YORK—A terrific air explosion took place over a small area of Long Island N.Y., which broke windows, cracked sidewalks and caused general panic. There were no planes around or scheduled at that time, Oct. 1952.

INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, NEW YORK, Oct. 16, 1952—A blue flame flashed over International Airport at 7:33 p.m. It was a fiery ball-like object. Hayden Planetarium official stated it may have been the [illegible] of a meteor.

TOPCLIFFE, YORK, ENGLAND, Sept. 20, 1952—During exercise "Mainbrace" RAF pilots sighted a white object at 15,000 feet. The object was silver in color and circular. It maintained a slow forward speed before beginning to descend, swinging like a pendulum. It followed the aircraft, revolved on its own axis at times, and then took off

WASHINGTON, D.C., Oct. 16, 1952—The Navy announced that it launched rockets from giant balloons, high above the North Geomagnetic Pole, and sent them to altitudes of about 40 miles. The balloons were as tall as a 10-story building.

PARIS, FRANCE, Oct. 7, 1952—A flying saucer was sighted over Southern France by two Air France pilots.

WESTERN KOREA FRONT, Oct. 29, 1952—U.S. troops saw a half-dozen mysterious spark-throwing "cartwheels" over the western front of Korea. They were as the eye sees, 18 inches in diameter, moving in a 15-foot circle.

GAILLAC, SOUTH OF FRANCE, Oct. 29, 1952—For the second time in two weeks, 20 townspeople of Gaillac saw a series of white circular objects, slightly swollen at the center, spinning across the sky, they were flying in formation of two and were grouped around something that looked like a giant flying cigar. As the objects passed overhead they let fall a sort of string of bright white threads, which settled gently on trees and telephone lines. When the people tried to pick them up, they melted like ice. A police officer who picked up some of the thread said: "It looked like glass wool and it melted away almost as soon as it was touched."

OLORON, FRANCE, Oct. 17, 1952—About a dozen people, including a schoolmaster, saw flying saucers surrounding a long cigar like object flying through a clear sky at about 6,000 feet.

NEW ZEALAND—The clippings and stories from New Zealand are swamping our office and are so numerous that we must devote a whole page to them in our April issue.

For more detailed information on any of the above, please write to IFSB.

Please date your clippings that you send to us, and note the source.

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IFSB OF BRITAIN ORGANIZES

Capt. E. L. Plunkett Appointed British Representative.

The IFSB has finally been organized in Great Britain with retired Capt. E. L. Plunkett, of the 8th Army as British Representative. Mr. Plunkett resides at 71 Chedworth Rd., Horfield, Bristol 7, England. Denis, son of Mr. Plunkett, is the assistant representative, but is now serving his country in the Royal Air Force.

Rep. Plunkett has shown great interest and foresight in forming the IFSB in the British Isles. Numerous articles have appeared in leading newspapers through his efforts. He is planning on using local halls and auditoriums to give lectures and show pictures with the aid of an edipiascope. He also plans to give talks at the local Toc H club of that city which is a semi-war veterans type of society.

Many people in the British Isles have contacted Mr. Plunkett showing great interest in IFSB. Most of these people are very learned individuals such as officers in the Armed Forces, members of the British Inter-Planetary Society, Aero-Dynamists, newspaper reporters, and flying saucer enthusiasts.

At present Mr. Plunkett is holding weekly meetings at his home, where they discuss IFSB and flying saucers in general. For further information about our British Representative see page twelve of this issue.

LUIS LUHRING NAMED PUERTO RICAN REPRESENTATIVE

Mr. Luis Luhring of Punta Santiago, Puerto Rico, has accepted the position of Representative for the island of Puerto Rico. He will handle all IFSB business in that place. Write to Box 23, Punta Santiago, Puerto Rico. Mr. Luhring is a very capable man and will aid the IFSB greatly.

FRANKLIN, INDIANA JOINS EN MASSE

Business Men and Public Officials Join IFSB. To Form Own City Group.

The City of Franklin, Indiana, has gone out fully for the IFSB and is now the only city in the world that has the most members in our organization. Through the great efforts and work of Mr. Louis Frahm, business man, Mr. Jack W. Moore, policeman; Mr. Robert Wolf, civilian defense director, and Mr. Dick Campbell, IFSB Representative for Indiana, this great accomplishment was made possible. At this publication, Franklin can claim 20 members with ten from nearly towns, giving a total of 30. Since all this interest has been aroused Mr. Frahm plans to form a city group with their own chairman, secretary and treasurer. Among the members you will find policemen, librarians, mechanics, commercial pilots, business men, bus drivers, students, etc. The group plans to purchase a telescope of suitable power. In addition to this they plan to rig up a 3¼ x 4¼ Grafles camera with an optical type view finder and screen door handle on each side for easy handling.. This is the equipment they plan to start with. Later, if finances permit, they *may* build a portable radar set.

Franklin, Indiana, and nearby towns, have been fortunate in having had at least four sightings this past summer Two were witnessed by Mr Frahm and Mr. Moore. Reports of these sightings are reviewed in this issue of Space Review.

OUR PRESIDENT HEARS FROM PROF. EINSTEIN

Mr. Al K. Bender, President of IFSB, received a letter from Professor Einstein with this message: "Having no experience and only superficial knowledge in the field --I regret not to be able to comply with your requests." Mr. Bender wanted his opinion on the flying saucers. This was the Professor's reply.

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October 26, 1952

Mr. I. H. Frah[illegible]
949 S. Jefferson Street,
Franklin, Indiana

Dear Mr. Frahm:

Once again I am happy to write to you about IFSB and your fine work in helping our organization to grow larger and stronger.

In your last letter you asked what course of action your club should take in connection with IFSB. I would suggest the following:

(1.) Appoint a local Chairman of the IFSB in Franklin, Indiana. Also appoint a local treasurer and secretary.

(2). Hold your meetings at least twice a month, where you can discuss saucer happenings and club activities. Use a local hall, or better yet, hold the meetings at each others homes.

If and when you form your own city group, a certain portion of the club membership fee may be retained by you to help your cause.

([illegible] Mr. Dick Campbell, is an International Officer in IFSB and should be paid such respect at all your gatherings.

(5). We will do any post card printing you desire c cards of similar size.

(6). You can print your club activities in "Space Review".

(7). Get contributions from your members to help you get formed

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(8). Report to IFSB all reports and sightings in your area. However, first put the sightings before your group and let them judge whether they are authentic or not.

(9). Keep a record of all club members in your area and their activities as far as IFSB in concerned.

(10). Obtain if possible (merely a suggestion), a tape recorder so that you can send actual voice to IFSB headquarters. In this way, I as President, could send messages for you to play at your local meetings. In the future I may even pay your city a visit and attend one of your meetings.

These are all merely suggestions for you to ponder over and if you decide to adopt any of them please consult with your Indiana Representative, Mr. Campbell. After you have done this, get in touch with me at once.

I sincerely hope that these suggestions will help you in [illegible] some move as to what your local group will do,

Forever Looking Up,

Albert K. Bender

Albert K. Bender
President

AKB/[illegible]

Jan 24, 1953
Los Angeles Cal

Mr John Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C.

Flying Saucers —

Dear Mr. Hoover:

This is being written to you so that it may be forwarded to President Eisenhow if you feel it advisable; and to prevent any securi leaks if such transmission of message is to be accomp lished.

PURPOSE:

A PLAN FOR BRINGING DOWN ONE OF THE STRANGE AIR VEHICLES AS SIGHTED OVER JAPAN AND ELSEWHERE IN THE WORLD; AND THEN TO BE STUDIED BY OUR SCIENTISTS.

EQUIPMENT NEEDED:

1. GUIDED MISSILES: that may be guided from the ground or a Mother Ship or made to home on these Strange objects through Radar or Radio

2. A DEVICE which when sighted from Ground or Air in Twilight or Darkness resembles of these Craft as to: ~~Shape~~
Shape
Size
Lights and
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May be necessary to use a high flying Zeplin, Balloon or Jet Craft, Helicopter or other.

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3. Below the Decoy = Highly accurate guns, cannons or other necessary weapons which are constantly trained on our Decoy or adjacent Area to de

4. Highly Secret and Skilled Personnel = To prevent any leak as to plan; and able to carry out operation to be successful on the first trial if possible.

Plan = Send Decoy up in an Area Known to have Consistenly seen these strange objects.

Sent to predetermined Altitude, and Known flying patterns So that Gun Crews below are alert to let go instantaneously when Strang Craft approaches to investigate our Decoy.

Decoy and our Ground operators should be in an Area where we can retrieve the Fallen object.

OF course if it is Known that these objects are from other planets the need for bringing one down is not immediately imperative.

Respectfully submitted to be forwarded if you deem it advisable.

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To Hollywood College

[redacted]

Los Angeles, Calif.

Calif.

October 28, 1952

Mr. [redacted]
Cincinnati 31, Ohio

Dear [redacted]

I want to thank you for your letter and the enclosures which you forwarded to this Bureau.

I have taken the liberty of forwarding a copy of your letter and the enclosures thereto to the Department of the Air Force, inasmuch as the matter referred to in your letter is within the jurisdiction of that Department.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT

FROM : V. P. KEAY

SUBJECT: FLYING SAUCERS

DATE: October 27, 1952

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SYNOPSIS:

Air Intelligence advised of another creditable and unexplainable sighting of flying saucers. Air Intelligence still feels flying saucers are optical illusions or atmospherical phenomena but some Military officials are seriously considering the possibility of interplanetary ships.

BACKGROUND:

You will recall that Air Intelligence has previously kept the Bureau advised regarding developments pertaining to Air Intelligence research on the flying saucer problem. Air Intelligence has previously advised that all research pertaining to this problem is handled by the Air Technical Intelligence Center located at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio; that approximately 90 per cent of the reported sightings of flying saucers can be discounted as products of the imagination and as explainable objects such as weather balloons, etc., but that a small percentage of extremely creditable sightings have been unexplainable.

DETAILS:

Colonel C. M. Young, Executive Officer to Major General John A. Samford, Director of Intelligence, Air Force, advised on October 23, 1952, that another recent extremely creditable sighting had been reported to Air Intelligence. A Navy photographer, while traveling across the United States in his own car, saw a number of objects in the sky which appeared to be flying saucers. He took approximately thirty-five feet of motion-picture film of these objects. He voluntarily submitted the film to Air Intelligence who had it studied by the Air Technical Intelligence Center. Experts at the Air Technical Intelligence Center have advised that, after careful study, there were as many as twelve to sixteen flying objects recorded on this film; that the possibility of weather balloons, clouds or other explainable objects has been completely ruled out; and that they are at a complete loss to explain this most recent creditable sighting. The Air Technical Intelligence Center experts pointed out that they could not be optical illusions inasmuch as optical illusions could not be recorded on film.

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Colonel Young advised that Air Intelligence still feels that the so-called flying saucers are either optical illusions or atmospherical phenomena. He pointed out, however, that some Military officials are seriously considering the possibility of interplanetary ships.

ACTION:

None. This is for your information.

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT

DATE: October 8, 1952

FROM : V. P. KEAY

SUBJECT: FLYING SAUCERS

Reference is made to an article which appeared in "The New Yorker" dated September 6, 1952, which is attached. This article which was written by [redacted] contained inaccurate information regarding FBI investigations, indicating that the FBI conducts certain inquiries regarding flying saucers at the request of the Air Force. It is pointed out here that, although the Bureau did at one time conduct some investigations regarding flying saucers, a present agreement has been set up with the Air Force whereby the Air Force conducts all investigations pertaining to flying saucers and the Bureau, upon receiving complaints of this nature, merely turns the complaints over to the Office of Special Investigations (OSI), which in turn transmits the information to Air Intelligence. Air Intelligence has set up the Air Technical Intelligence Center at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio, for the purpose of coordinating and handling of research pertaining to flying saucers. b6

Inquiry was conducted in order to determine, if possible, the source for the information appearing in the attached article regarding FBI investigations. Lieutenant Colonel L. L. Free in charge of the Espionage Branch, Counter-Intelligence Division, Office of Special Investigations, advised that no one in OSI has been contacted by [redacted] and he suggested direct contact by the Bureau Representative with Air Intelligence to determine if [redacted] had been in touch with anyone in that organization in order to gather information for his article. b6

Colonel C. M. Young, Executive Officer to Major General John A. Samford, Director of Air Intelligence, advised that [redacted] has not contacted General Samford's office. Colonel Young also telephonically contacted Captain Ruppelt of the Air Technical Intelligence Center, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio, on September 30, 1952. Captain Ruppelt advised Colonel Young that they have never indicated in any way to [redacted] that the FBI has an interest in flying saucers. Captain Ruppelt stated that the FBI to his knowledge has never been called upon to furnish reports on flying saucers. Ruppelt is under the impression that [redacted] made the story up or picked it up from some magazine or newspaper article sometime back. Both Colonel Young and Captain Ruppelt are thoroughly familiar with Bureau policy pertaining to flying saucers. b6

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Colonel Young suggested that further contact be made with Mr. Albert Chop of the Office of Public Information, Office of the Secretary of Defense, who represents the Air Force in public relations contacts pertaining to flying saucer matters.

Mr. Chop was contacted and advised that he was familiar with the attached "New Yorker" magazine article. He advised that [redacted] had gathered most of the material about two years ago when considerable publicity regarding flying saucers had appeared in newspapers. He does not know where [redacted] gathered the material at that time but assumes that he gathered it from various sources, such as other newspaper articles. When the recent publicity regarding flying saucers appeared in newspapers, [redacted] renewed his interest in flying saucers and attempted to bring his article up to date. He contacted Mr. Chop for further current information. Mr. Chop advised that he gave Lang some routine items of interest regarding flying saucer complaints and investigations by the Air Force, but that he instructed [redacted] not to contact the Air Technical Intelligence Center for further information from that source. Mr. Chop also advised that at no time was the FBI mentioned and that he has no idea where [redacted] obtained the information appearing in his article concerning FBI investigations. Mr. Chop advised that he is thoroughly familiar with Bureau policy pertaining to flying saucer investigations, and that he at no time has indicated to any writer or newspaper representative that the FBI conducts investigations pertaining to flying saucers. Mr. Chop advised that, if the Bureau desires, he would be glad to contact [redacted] to discreetly determine where [redacted] obtained his information indicating that the FBI conducts investigations pertaining to flying saucers. He stated that he could make this contact without indicating in any way the Bureau has contacted him. He was advised that his offer of cooperation was appreciated, but that it was not desired that he make such an inquiry at the present time.

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There is attached a current mimeographed form containing current information regarding the whole flying saucer matter which was turned over by Chop. This is the information which

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is ordinarily given to newspaper reporters or writers who make inquiry in the Office of Public Information.

ACTION:

None. For your information.

Date: October 28, 1952

To: Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

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Subject: FLYING SAUCERS

There are attached for your information a copy of a self-explanatory letter dated October 21, 1952, and the enclosures thereto, received by this Bureau from Mr. [redacted]

Mr. [redacted] has been advised that his letter has been referred to your Department. No further action is being taken in this matter by this Bureau.

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2) If we would never have heard anything about "things" and "objects", we wouldn't send this to you, beyond a doubt. But, what looks like a spot could be something different. Better safe than sorry.

Respectfully Yours
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Date October 6, 1952 Case References INVESTIGATION OF POSSIBLE UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT

Consigned to Directorate of Special Invest.
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force, The Pentagon
Washington, D. C.
Att: Mr. [redacted]

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MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. [illegible] COX

SUBJECT: Comments on Article in The NEW YORKER

1. A call was made to the Air Technical Intelligence Center, 1330 this date, (Captain Ruppelt) regarding the attached article.

2. ATIC did not in any way indicate to [redacted] that the FBI has an interest in flying saucers. Furthermore, Captain Ruppelt stated that the FBI to his knowledge has never been called upon to furnish reports on flying saucers. ATIC is under the impression that [redacted] made the story up or picked it up from a magazine or newspaper article sometime back that definitely was not associated with their organization.

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3. ATIC suggests that you check further with Mr. Al Chop, Office of Public Information, and perhaps he can supply you with the information you have requested.

C M Young

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Article fr NEW YORKER,
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C. M. YOUNG
Colonel, USAF
Chief, Policy & Management Group
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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
OFFICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

Rec'd from Mr
Albert Chop
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The following information concerning Air Force investigations of unusual aerial phenomena is submitted in answer to your request.

In the Fall of 1947 the United States Air Force took official notice of reports of so-called "flying saucers" because the reports from the public indicated that the problem might be related to the Air Force responsibility for the air defense of the United States.

On December 30, 1947 the Air Force directed its Air Materiel Command, at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio, to set up a project to collect and evaluate all available facts concerning "flying saucer" sightings.

To perform this task the Air Materiel Command obtained the services of civilian and military astronomers, psychologists, electronic specialists, meteorologists, aeronautical engineers, and physicists.

On December 27, 1949, after 375 reported sightings had been investigated, the Air Force, with the concurrence of the Army and the Navy, announced the findings of the "flying saucer" project.

The evidence at that time indicated that the majority of the reports of unidentified flying objects could be accounted for as misinterpretations of various conventional objects, a mild form of hysteria, meteorological phenomena, light aberrations, or hoaxes.

There remained, however, a number of unexplained sightings, and the Air Force has continued its investigations inasmuch as it is an Air Force responsibility to identify and analyze aerial phenomena that could possibly be a menace to the United States.

Subsequent to December 1949, these investigations have been conducted as a normal intelligence function, rather than a special project, by the Air Technical Intelligence Center, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio.

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To date, the Air Force has undertaken to investigate and analyze about 1500 reports dealing with these phenomena. As before, most of the reports were identified and disposed of as friendly aircraft erroneously reported, known electronic and meteorological phenomena, light aberrations, hoaxes, and other known natural occurrences or man-made objects.

The unexplained reports, however, which are in the order of 20 percent of the total, cannot be definitely associated with these familiar things.

Difficulty in Evaluating Reports

The difficulty in disposing of these unexplained reports is based largely upon the insufficiency of accurate basic data such as size, shape, composition and flight characteristics (speed, acceleration, altitude, exact maneuver pattern, etc.) of the objects.

Although some instruments which are useful in obtaining more accurate data of this type have been available, the reports based on sightings with these instruments have been very infrequent and comprise an extremely small percentage of the total. Moreover, even these reports have not included much of the information required.

Because of the inadequacy of this basic data, the Air Force has in the past devoted its efforts primarily to determining whether these unexplained sightings indicated the existence of a menace to the United States. Initially it was believed that some pattern might evolve from the study of a large volume of reports. To date, no pattern has materialized to reveal anything whatsoever which can be interpreted as indicative of purpose or consistency or which can be construed as a menace to the United States. Nonetheless, since these unexplained sightings persist, the Air Force will continue its investigations, giving the problem adequate but not frantic attention.

It is now felt, however, that reports from people whose training and experience in observing aerial objects qualify them to obtain essential data are the only ones likely to produce material suitable for systematic analysis. The Air Force is planning to provide additional tools to help these observers obtain the basic data it needs.

Reports of similar phenomena go back to Biblical times. There have been flurries of them in various centuries. The current series of sightings began generally in 1946.

There are many reasons why the volume of these reports has increased materially during the past few years. Aerial activity originated by man has increased, and people today have a greater curiosity about this activity than before. Also, our present efficient communication facilities and news media provide an incentive for reporting unusual observations, for publicizing them and for recording them. However, the ability to measure these phenomena does not seem to have advanced in step with opportunities for observing them. The Air Force believes that most of these phenomena will gradually be understood as more is known about occurrences in the upper atmosphere.

Source of Reports

The majority of reports of aerial phenomena have come from civilians. About 8 percent come from civil airlines pilots, while approximately 25 percent are reported by military personnel. Reports have been received also from highly qualified scientists. Although primary significance is attached to reports from qualified observers, there is no intention to discredit untrained observers.

Radar Sightings

The Air Force has received many reports of unusual images on radar scopes. It is fairly well established that some of these images are ground objects reflected from a layer of warm air above the earth (a temperature inversion).

Temperature inversion reflections can give a return on a radar scope that is as sharp as that received from an aircraft. Speed ranges of these returns are reportedly from zero to fantastic speeds. The "objects" also appear to move in all directions.

Such radar sightings have resulted in hundreds of fruitless intercept efforts.

One scientific theory holds that light can be similarly reflected from a layer of warm air above the earth and, if proven to be correct, this could account for some visual sightings.

Bearing out the theory of temperature inversion reflection is an incident which occurred in January 1951 near Oakridge, Tennessee. Two Air Force aircraft attempted to intercept an unidentified "object" and actually established a radar "lock" on the object. Their altitude at the time was 7,000 feet. The unidentific object, according to their radar, appeared to be at an elevation of ten to 25 degrees. Three passes were made in an attempt to close on the object. In each instance the pilots reported that their radar led them first upward and then down toward a specific point on the ground.

Ionized clouds are believed to be the cause of some unidentified radar returns. Thunderstorm activity is identifiable by radar, and radar is used for the purpose of avoiding thunderstorms. In addition, radar has picked up many objects first reported as "unidentified phenomena" which were later identified as aircraft, birds, balloons, ice formations in the air, or other known aerial objects or manifestations.

Policy Regarding Attempted Interception

No orders have been issued by the Air Defense Command to its fighter units to fire on unidentified aerial phenomena. The Air Defense Command is charged with air defense of the United States, and its mission is to attack anything airborne which is known or appears to be hostile. This should not be interpreted to mean that our pilots will fire haphazardly on anything that flies.

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Attempts at interception are not made every time that unidentified images appear briefly on an Air Force radar scope. Current Air Force interceptors are short-range, short-duration, high-speed aircraft and can be employed most effectively when it is possible to track a target by visual or radar means so that its position in the air at some future time may be predicted with a reasonable degree of accuracy.

Methods of Evaluating

The first step in evaluating sightings of unusual aerial phenomena is to collect all available data and check it against known airborne objects such as balloons, aircraft, missiles, meteors, and weather phenomena. If still unexplained, reports from reliable sources, with sufficient details, are turned over to specialists in various scientific fields for further analysis.

Future Plans for Evaluating

As stated earlier, there is a need for better reports from trained observers using adequate equipment. The Air Force intends to implement its present study with instruments wherever possible.

The recent development of special photographic equipment may make it possible to gather data hitherto unobtainable through ordinary photographic methods. This equipment consists of a diffraction grating camera which separates light into its component parts (spectrum) and registers them on film. The principle involved is that used by astronomers in determining the composition of the stars. In this manner Air Force scientists may be able to determine the characteristics of the phenomena and subsequently identify the source.

Another proposal involves the use of a continuously operating Schmidt telescope equipped with a camera. This telescope has a wide aperture lens and is capable of covering a cone of 150 degrees or nearly the whole sky from horizon to horizon. This equipment will make it possible to get on a series of photographic plates a complete record of what happens in the sky at night.

What "Saucers" Are Not

The Air Force has stated in the past, and reaffirms at the present time, that these unidentified aerial phenomena are not a secret weapon, missile or aircraft, developed by the United States. None of the three military departments nor any other agency in the government is conducting experiments, classified or otherwise, with flying objects which could be a basis for the reported phenomena. As far as is known there is nothing in them that is associated with material or vehicles that are directed against the United States, from another country or from other planets.

Your interest in this matter is greatly appreciated. Please call upon us if we may be of further service.

Sincerely yours,

A REPORTER AT LARGE

SOMETHING IN THE SKY

IN midsummer of 1947, the United States Air Force, already concerned with such problems as the development of guided missiles and supersonic craft, the rigging up of radar networks, and its controversy with the Navy over unification, found itself confronted by another, and completely different, headache—the flying saucer. People in every section of the country were seeing strange objects that streaked across the sky at tremendous speeds, and while these people, who included such practiced students of the heavens as airplane pilots, farmers, and the Lieutenant Governor of Idaho, were not able to identify the things they had seen, they were able to describe them vividly and unforgettably. The newspapers called the first of these mysterious objects a flying saucer, taking their cue from the man who reported having seen it and who described it as saucerlike, and the name stuck, although later people reported seeing things that looked like flying chromium hubcaps, flying dimes, flying teardrops, flying gaslights, flying ice-cream cones, and flying pie plates. As more and more curious things were seen in the skies, cautiously quizzical editorials began to appear in the papers, and the President and members of Congress received a deluge of letters demanding an explanation. Many of the letter writers had concluded that the objects, whatever they might be, were manned by Russians, and that as soon as their pilots had reconnoitred sufficiently, they would return loaded with atomic bombs. Others thought the earth was being visited by space ships from another planet. Still others suspected that our own Air Force was secretly testing some new form of aircraft. Everyone agreed, however, that it was up to the Air Force, as the custodian of our welkin, to explain the flying objects and, if necessary, to repel them. The result was the launching by the Air Force, on January 22, 1948, of a special investigation, an investigation that, though it has reached numerous conclusions, is still under way and has yet to put the public mind at rest.

It appears that, aside from the hope of reassuring a jittery populace, the Air Force, in embarking upon this undertaking, had any or all of three things in mind. It may well have shared the civilian concern over what, if anything, the Russians might have to do with the reported phenomena, and it may even have felt that to insure a thoroughgoing investigation there was certainly no harm in assuming for the moment that the era of interplanetary travel had arrived and the earth had become an objective for journeys from elsewhere in the solar system. Or—and this would not necessarily exclude the first two considerations—the Air Force may have been setting up a smoke screen to protect, in the interest of national security, the secret of some experimental flying objects of its own that only a trusted few of its members knew about. Whatever the purpose, the investigation, with which I have been in touch from time to time, has seemingly been exhaustive. The Air Force personnel originally assigned to it was later augmented by astronomers, psychologists, physicists, meteorologists, physicians, and representatives of the F.B.I. The investigation, which soon became popularly known as Project Saucer, was first headed by Lieutenant General Benjamin W. Chidlaw, Commanding Gen-) of the Air Matériel Comman
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Not long after the apparent dem
of Project Saucer, I had a talk in Wa
ington with Brigadier General Ern
Moore, then chief of Air Force I
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made four categorical statements t
I felt sure he had made many times

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have nothing to do [illegible]se so-called saucers; I'll swear t[illegible] a stack of Bibles, *if you like.* Sec[illegible], we don't have any secret new types of aircraft that could have started all this commotion. Third, nobody, in our opinion, has spotted space ships from some other planet. Fourth, everything our investigators learned has been made available to the public."

THE first saucer incident occurred on the afternoon of June 24, 1947, when Kenneth Arnold, on a business trip for a Boise, Idaho, firm that makes fire-control equipment, was flying his private plane from Chehalis, Washington, to Yakima, Washington. The reflection of a bright flash on one wing caught his eye. He turned and, at a distance he thought was about twenty miles, saw what he took to be nine tailless aircraft heading toward Mount Rainier. "I could see their outlines quite plainly against the snow," Air Force Intelligence quoted him as saying. "They flew very close to the mountaintops, directly south to southeast, down *the hog's-back of the range,* flying like geese, in a diagonal, chainlike line, as if they were linked together . . . a chain of saucer*like things at least five* miles long, swerving in and out of the high mountain peaks. They were flat . . . and so shiny that they reflected the sun like a mirror." Arnold said he watched the saucers for three minutes and estimated their speed at about twelve hundred miles an hour.

Air Force technicians, consulted by newspapermen, said that any object moving that fast would be invisible to the naked eye at Arnold's estimated distance. The press scoffed at Arnold's story, and he was resentful. "Even if I see a ten-story building flying through the air, I won't say a word about it," he declared, and when he got back to *Boise* he wrote a series of articles about his experience for a magazine called *Fate.*

No sooner were the skeptical newspaper accounts printed than dozens of people turned up with similar reports. *Another resident of Boise* spotted a disc over that city, "a half circle in shape, clinging to a cloud and just as bright and silvery-looking as a mirror caught in the rays of the sun." Lieu[illegible] of Idaho, disclosed that ev[illegible]g he had seen a comet-shaped objec[illegible]ailing over the western part of th[illegible]. It finally dipped below the ho[illegible]n, he said. (Later on, the personnel of Project Saucer decided that the Lieutenant Governor had been looking at either Saturn or Mercury.) Four cops in Portland, *Oregon, saw a group* of discs "wobbling, disappearing, and reappearing."

Reports of other *phenomena having* been seen in the skies appeared in the papers almost daily. Two Army officers at Fort Richardson, Alaska, reported seeing a spherical object flying through the air at incredible speed and leaving no vapor trail; some fishermen off Newfoundland saw a series of aerial flashes, silver to reddish in color; a lady in Oregon watched a group of saucers spell out "P-E-P-S-I," and alerted her neighbors to the presence of foreign agents practicing a secret code in our skies; an Oklahoma City man saw a saucer "the bulk of six B-29s;" and a prospector in the Cascade Mountains of Oregon saw six saucers in a group, banking in the sun—"round, silent, and not flying in formation." On the Fourth of July, there were twelve reports of saucers in widely separated parts of the United States. One of these saucers, sighted at Trenton, New Jersey, was traced to a fireworks display. Dr. Paul Fitts, an Ohio State University psychologist who was for a time attached to Project Saucer, considered *this crowded condition in* the holiday skies the result of mass suggestibility, the same *jumpy trait* that caused Americans to see Zeppelins overhead during and after the First World War. "Our graphs show that saucer incidents always increase dramatically after publicity," he has since told me. "The sky, you know, has been a source of exciting visions from time immemorial, and its attraction is particularly strong in our jittery moments."

FROM the beginning, the officers in charge of Project Saucer recognized a peculiar difficulty in their assignment. "If you look out the window and see something, how can I prove or disprove what it was if I didn't see it and you can't tell me much about what you

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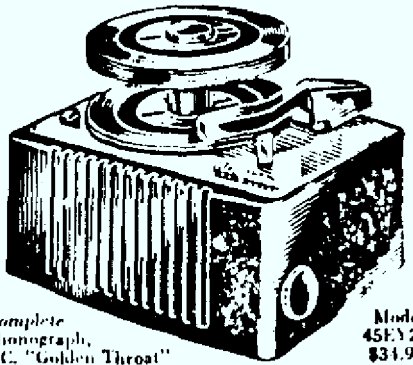

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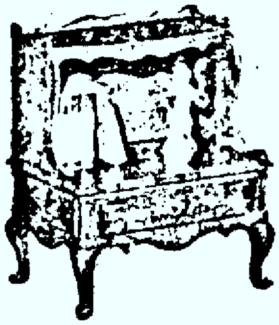

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Wright Field and the high command in Washington, said to me one day shortly after Project [illegible]er had presumably become a thing of the past. "It would be different if flying saucers were known to exist. Then we could have collected *evidence indicating* the degrees of probability that such things were *sighted and the reason* for their appearance at a given place. *But it is impossible* to prove, logically and with finality, a double negative—that is, that there are no flying saucers and that people have not seen flying saucers. The best we could do under the circumstances was to deduce, first, from the fact that it had not been proved, that saucers *had* been seen and, second, from the fact that reasonable theories could be advanced to explain away all the *reports* of seeing them, that probably nobody had seen them at all. The fewer the theoretical explanations and the less plausible they were, the more reason there was for suspecting people *had* seen saucers." The Major shook his head, and continued, "It's a difficult concept to grasp, but so was the job we were tackling."

I asked Major Boggs whether there was any way to account for the epidemic of reports of strange celestial objects. "Of course there is," he replied. "If you look up at the sky long enough, you can almost always make out something there that appears strange. And more people are looking up now than ever before. Kids don't count freight cars any more; they count airplanes. People who were trained in air observation during the war have gone right on observing. Also, the public hasn't forgotten that the atomic bomb was kept secret from it for three years. This time, people want to know what's cooking, so they look up." Major Boggs sighed. "Time was when people used to make a wish if they saw a shooting star. Now they telephone the Air Force."

Major Boggs and I pondered this unromantic age in silence for a moment. Then he returned briskly to the problems that had confronted the investigators. "The one tangible thing we had to work on was the fact that the sky is full of things," he said. "I can't even come close to estimating the number of commercial and military aircraft up there at any given moment. Then, there are more than five hundred outfits of one kind or another that release balloons from time to time. These range from simple weather balloons, n[illegible]ger than

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in the way it disapp[illegible]n the line of sight.

Here, the experts prof[illegible] to hope, was something Project Saucer could get its teeth into. The whole flying-saucer mystery might be explained. The first step was to determine whether the object was an aircraft that had been partially obscured by a cloud or whose appearance had been distorted by a rainstorm. *Two hundred and twenty-five* civilian and military flight schedules were analyzed, and it was found that one other plane, an Air Force C-47, had been near the Eastern airliner at the time the mysterious object was sighted. Conjecture about the C-47 began to appear irrelevant, however, when the Macon ground crews agreed with Chiles and Whitted that the thing they had seen was going much faster than two hundred *miles an hour*, and so, unless it dawdled around somewhere, wouldn't have taken anything like an hour to get from Macon to Montgomery.

Astronomers went to work on the problem. Dr. Hynek considered the possibility that a brilliant, slow-moving meteor might be the explanation. Various bits of the apparition's description encouraged this notion—"orange-red flame," "cigar-shaped," "a tremendous burst of flame." Unfortunately, the flight schedules of meteors are not available, and Dr. Hynek had no means of testing his hypothesis. "It will have to be left to the psychologists to tell us whether the immediate trail of a bright meteor could produce the subjective impression of a ship with lighted windows," he wrote in a report on his findings. The psychologists expressed the opinion that a meteor could indeed be mistaken for a space ship. Dr. Fitts, the Ohio State psychologist, observed that both Chiles and Whitted were human and therefore as likely to be victims of mass suggestibility as anyone else. Dr. Fitts told me during a talk I had with him that psychologists are used to the fact that even people of high mental calibre often make mistakes about what they see. "Also, I would *like to make the point that* pilots are trained to instruments," he said. "They grow very dependent on those instruments, and I don't know whether [illegible]re necessarily superior observers [illegible]out them. I do know that during the war, when I was in the Air Force, pilots *frequently* gave some pretty odd reports of what they'd seen while flying their missions." Chiles and Whitted readily agreed that their report might

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ing a routine patrol for the Nor[illegible] Dakota National Guard, and ju[illegible]ked the tower at the Fargo Municip[illegible]port for clearance to land when [illegible] saw what seemed to be another plane's taillight a thousand yards away. He queried the tower, and the men there reported that the only other aircraft over the field was a *Piper Cub.* Gorman could see the Cub plainly outlined below him. Curious, he flew toward the light. "It was about six to eight inches in diameter, clear white, and completely round, with a sort of fuzz at the edges," Gorman later told investigators, adding that he saw "no outline of anything" around the edges. "It was blinking on and off. As I approached, however, the light suddenly became steady and pulled into a sharp left bank. . . . I dived after it and brought my manifold pressure up to sixty inches, but I couldn't catch up with the thing. It started gaining altitude and again made a left bank. I put my F-51 into a sharp turn and tried to cut the light off in its turn. By then, we were at about seven thousand feet. Suddenly it made a sharp right turn and we headed straight at each other. Just when we were about to collide, I guess I got scared. I went into a dive and the light passed over my canopy at about five hundred feet. Then it made a left circle about a thousand feet above, and I gave chase again." Gorman followed the light up to fourteen thousand feet, where, after another near collision, his ship went into a power stall and the light disappeared to the northwest. Gorman noticed no sounds or exhaust-trail odors. He had gunned his plane up to four hundred miles an hour without gaining on the light. It was able to maintain an extremely steep angle of ascent, far greater than that of his Air Force fighter. "When I attempted to turn with [the light], I blacked out temporarily, due to excessive speed," he said. "I am in fairly good physical condition and I do not believe there are many, if any, pilots who could withstand the turn and speed effected by that light and remain conscious."

Project Saucer suspected that Gorman was tilting with a weather balloon. For one thing, it learned that the Fargo weather station had released a lighted balloon only ten minutes before Gorman's patrol stopped being routine. The object's steady, practically vertical climb suggested the behavior of a balloon. A technician who once worked on Project Saucer told me recently that chasing a weather balloon with an airplane is comparable to diving to the bottom of a pool after a hollow rubber

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holding one in my ov[illegible]," he said. The rancher forwar[illegible] find to Wright Field, where it w[illegible]ntified as a remnant of one of the i[illegible]ndiary balloons the hopeful Japanese dispatched across the Pacific during the war in an effort to start forest fires.

Even pictures taken of supposed saucers failed to impress the experts. There was the case of a man in Phoenix, Arizona, who spotted a flat gray object spiralling up and down in the sky at a speed that he estimated at between four and five hundred miles an hour. He snapped two pictures of it with his Brownie. Prints were rushed to Project Saucer, and Dr. Irving Langmuir, the physicist and a Nobel Prize winner, was asked to study them. The distinguished scientist learned that a thunderstorm had occurred just before the picture-taking, and concluded that he was looking at a couple of rather poor shots of a piece of paper being buffeted by the wind.

AS time went on and the skies, apparently, continued to teem with flying saucers, the generals in the Pentagon, warming to their task, decided to enlarge the scope of the investigation. Commanders of all Air Force installations in the country were ordered to assign Intelligence officers to look into sightings reported in their areas. The officers were instructed to solicit the assistance of municipal police officials, who might be familiar with the personalities of the saucer observers. The F.B.I. was also called upon for assistance, and assigned agents to help interview people who reported that they had seen discs. The agents used a standard questionnaire, drawn up by Air Force Intelligence, which called for such information as the saucer's size, speed, color, and maneuvers. The information was usually transmitted to Wright Field, but some stories were so obviously false and some "evidence" so obviously trifling that the F.B.I. men didn't even bother to fill out the questionnaire. In Scattle, for instance, an alarmed woman called the police to inform them that a flaming disc had landed on her roof. The object turned out to be a hollow, drum-shaped affair made of plywood, with "USSR" crudely daubed on it in paint. An F.B.I. man found that a turpentine-soaked cloth had caused the flame. A practical joke, he decided. A farmer near Danforth, Illinois, reported that a saucer had crash-landed in one of his fields and burned up a patch of weeds. The F.B.I.

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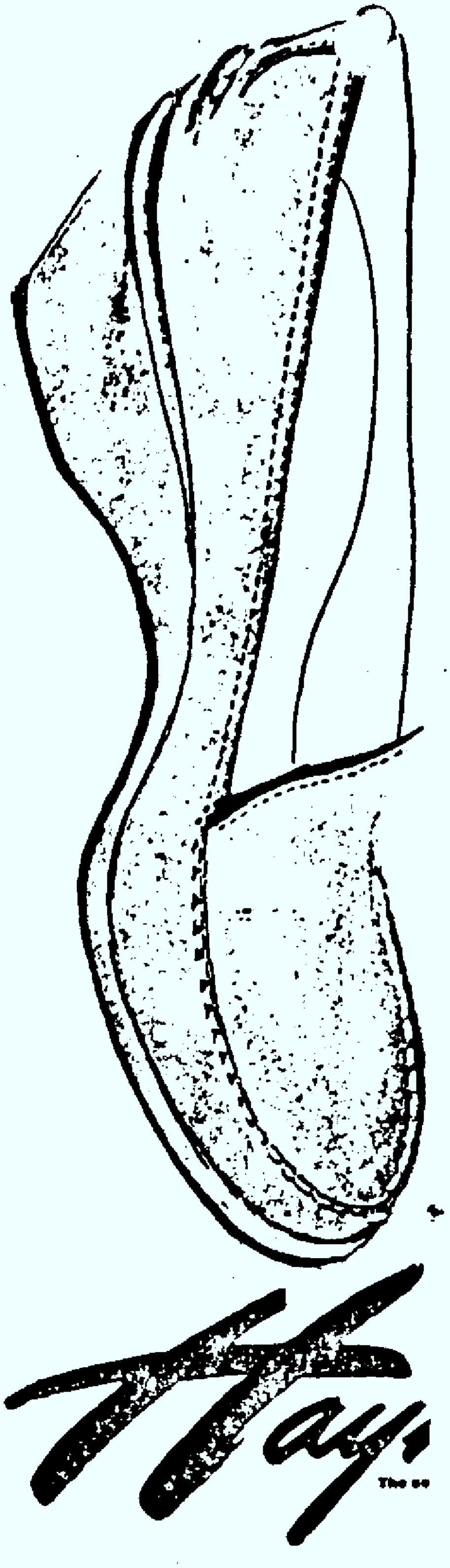
Other elements of the [illegible] problem were studied by such men [illegible] r. George Valley, a nuclear physicis [illegible] the Massachusetts Institute of Technology; staff members of the research firm of Rand Corporation; an assortment of physicists and aerodynamicists who specialize in the study of the stratosphere and the space beyond it; and the electronics experts attached to the Cambridge Field Station. These men were all searching for physical rather than psychological explanations, and some fairly strange theories occurred to them—the possibility that extraterrestrial animals were flying into our atmosphere, for example. (No data turned up to support that arresting idea.) The theory that the saucers were hostile aircraft was carefully studied and rejected. "The performances of these saucers not only surpass the development of present science but the development of present fiction-science writers," one scientist noted. The specialists also considered and rejected the concept of discs capable of riding the air on beams or rays of some kind. They even speculated on whether the anti-gravity shield that H. G. Wells thought up for his novel "The First Men in the Moon" would work; it wouldn't, they decided. The supposition that interplanetary craft were whizzing in at us was also discredited, despite its popularity with laymen. Space ships, the scientists thought, would have to be so large and unwieldy that they couldn't possibly zigzag as frivolously as the reported saucers did. Besides, a space ship, regardless of its size, could not, in the opinion of these men, carry sufficient fuel to remain for any length of time in the earth's dense atmosphere. The scientists noted, too, that the supposed spacemen showed a remarkable lack of interest in the rest of the world, being, it would seem, almost unanimous in their desire to see America first. "The small area covered by the disc barrage points strongly to the belief that the flying objects are of earthly origin, be they physical or psychological," one of the scientists reported.

From the report turned in by the astronomers, I learned that they, in addition to seining out comets, meteors, bolides, and achondrites from the stream of objects people were seeing in the skies, had also thoughtfully considered our planetary neighbors. The old question of the possibility of life on Mars took on a new urgency, and a new corollary: If there *are* living creatures on Mars, would they be capable of building space ships? The astronomers



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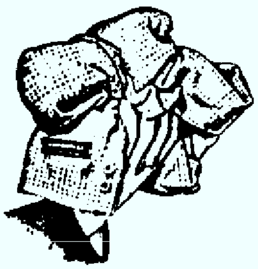
that—that while the information they give me may be made [illegible] their names never will be." In [illegible] cases, Captain Ruppelt said, investigation has shown that the people he has interviewed had been deceived by things that have been deceiving others all along—balloons, planes, meteors, and so on—but a nettling residue of around twenty per cent of the cases have wound upon that exasperating old pigeonhole labelled "Unidentified." Nothing, for example, could be found to account for the "something silvery directly overhead" reported by a mystified Civil Aeronautics Administration inspector at Terre Haute. A commercial pilot who, flying near Battle Creek, Michigan, spotted "an oval-shaped silver object" ahead of his ship, posed a similarly unsolved problem, as did a highly respected naval officer, stationed at the dirigible base at Lakehurst, New Jersey, who reported that he had stared through his binoculars at a brilliant image making turns that were far too tight for any known aircraft.

Twenty-five per cent of the observers interrogated by the Aerial Phenomena Officer in the last two and a half years have been military pilots. Eight per cent have been commercial pilots, some with as much as twenty years' experience in the air, and at one stage in the current phase of the investigation, even a few physicists at Los Alamos, New Mexico, men who make a fetish of objectivity, were interviewed after they reported having seen puzzling lights hovering above their atomic-energy laboratories. "If you took any one of these incidents by itself, it might not mean much," Captain Ruppelt said. "But in view of the number and calibre of the informants, you couldn't help taking their claims seriously."

In February, 1951, Dr. Urner Liddel, a nuclear physicist attached to the Office of Naval Research, at Washington, D.C., declared that at last, thanks to the lifting of certain security restrictions, he could provide the solution to the mystery of the flying saucers: They were "skyhooks," he said—balloons a hundred feet in diameter, which the Navy had secretly been sending up for the past four years in order to study cosmic rays. Dr. Liddel's assertion was immediately disputed by Dr. Anthony O. Mirarchi, who, as former head of the Air Force's Atmospheric Composition Bureau, had assisted in the diagnosis of Project Saucer reports. Dr. Mirarchi said he thought the saucers might be missiles from some foreign



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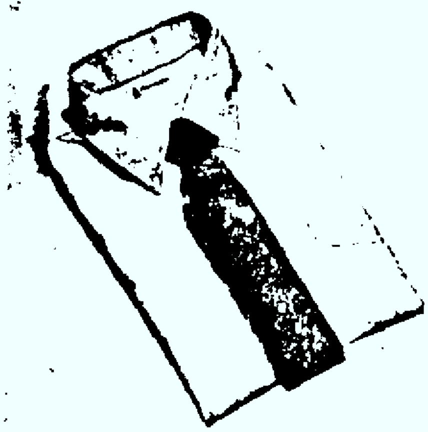

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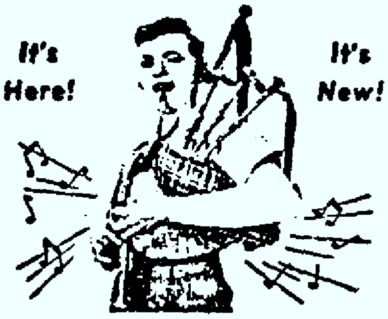

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fourteen minutes, Pierman saw bright lights that resembl [illegible] shooting stars, but three of them [illegible]ere moving horizontally, unlike any shooting star he had ever seen. Another commercial pilot who was reached in flight nearby said that he saw a light off his left wing; Barnes found a corresponding pip on the radarscope. Other pilots in the vicinity reported, however, that they could see nothing unusual. Toward daybreak, ten peculiar pips were counted simultaneously on Barnes' screen. "There is no other conclusion I can reach but that for six hours on the morning of the twentieth of July there were at least ten unidentifiable objects moving above Washington," Barnes wrote. "They were not ordinary aircraft. . . . Nor in my opinion could any natural phenomena account for these spots on our radar. Neither shooting stars, electrical disturbances, nor clouds could, either. Exactly what they are, I don't know. Now you know as much about them as I do. And your guess is as good as mine."

A week later, at 9:08 P.M. on July 26th, the Air Route Traffic Control Center's radarscope again showed unidentifiable objects over Washington. So did the screen at the Andrews Air Force Base, just outside the capital. Two jet interceptors, capable of doing six hundred miles an hour, were dispatched from a base near New Castle, Delaware, to investigate. When the interceptors appeared on the radarscopes, they were guided toward the objects. One of the pilots sighted four lights approximately ten miles in front of his plane and slightly above it, but they vanished while he was trying to overtake them. Twenty minutes later, he saw "a steady white light," but within a minute it, too, disappeared. "We have no evidence they were flying saucers," an Air Force representative said later. "Conversely, we have no evidence they were not flying saucers. We don't know what they were."

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As a result of these two incidents, particularly the one involving the interceptors, public agitation reached a new height. The Air Force was bombarded with hundreds of letters, telephone calls, and telegrams demanding information and offering advice. One of the smaller airlines supplied its crews with cameras and ordered them to photograph any saucers they encountered. A civilian wrote to the Air Force that he would let it in on "the secret" in return for a colonelcy. A Los Angeles pastor wrote to Einstein, beseeching him to clear up

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advisers . . . in th[illegible]s of visitors from elsewhere,' [illegible]ph the sky continuously, but they [illegible]n reported no saucers. The General was reminded that many of the people who had told of seeing the most spectacular things were considered the most reliable. He replied that he had no intention of discrediting them, but the fact remained that none of them had offered data of the kind a scientist would find useful. An Air Force officer whom General Samford personally knew to be a competent witness had told him of seeing a saucer in the Middle East. This man, too, had been unable to obtain accurate measurements. "We have many reports from credible observers of incredible things," the General remarked.

Like General Moore, his predecessor in Project Saucer days, General Samford denied that the Air Force was attempting to cover up secret experiments. When he was asked if the saucers might be the guided missiles of a foreign country, he replied that he didn't see how, on the basis of their weird performances, they could be unless "someone" had achieved a means of developing unlimited power—"power of such fantastic higher limits that it is a theoretical unlimited; it's not anything that we can understand"—and utilizing it under conditions in which no mass is involved. As for the latter, the General told the press, drawing a laugh, "You know, what 'no mass' means is that there's nothing there."

WHILE General Samford's interview probably reassured the public as evidence that the Air Force was still on the job, it did nothing to lessen the nation's saucer-consciousness. The reporters had hardly thanked the General for his comments when, on August 1st, a Coast Guard photographer produced a picture showing four bizarre lights burning brilliantly in a daylight sky. He said he had taken it over Salem, Massachusetts. The next day, a Harvard astrophysicist called the photograph worthless because it was accompanied by no scientific data, such as temperature distribution and altitude. On August 6th, an Army physicist at Fort Belvoir, Virginia, created the equivalent of flying saucers in his laboratory by introducing molecules of ionized air into a partial vacuum in a bell jar, and three days later an internationally known authority on atmospheric conditions said of the physicist's experiment, "I know of no conditions of the earth's atmosphere, high or low, which would duplicate

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AIR MAIL

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[redacted]
The Hague
The Netherlands

Dear [redacted]

Your letter dated October 6, 1952, has been received.

You will perhaps recall being advised at the time of your visit to this Bureau that the matter discussed was not within the jurisdiction of the FBI. However, in view of your imminent departure from Washington the information was accepted for transmittal to the appropriate agency, which was to contact you if interested.

Full details were made available at that time to the Department of the Air Force for evaluation and consideration. In the absence of some arrangement between you and the Air Force, your further use of the pertinent facts is, of course, a matter for your own determination.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

NOTE ON YELLOW:

Bulet to OSI, Air Force, dated 5-7-52 transmitted data furnished by [redacted] to the Bureau 5-5-52 concerning his ideas as to plans for a workable flying disc. [redacted] was informed that further contact with him, if any, would come from the interested Government agency rather than the Bureau. No mention was made of his keeping the facts secret pending a reply from the Bureau or the Air Force. (62-83894-273)

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THE HAGUE. October 6th

Department of Justice
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Dear Mr [redacted]

Excuse me please if I misspelled your name, but I never saw it in writing.

On May 5th at 2.15 P.M. of this year I paid you a visit in the F.B.I.offices, where I told you details on a certain subject you will surely remember. At the end of the conversation I promissed you not to talk about it until I had received word from you whether or not the proper authorities were interested. It was taken for granted that a few months might elapse before the answer could be given.

Five months have passed by since then, and as the subject has now become active in Europe, I am really anxious to go ahead with it. I have ofcourse tried to check the theory on each aspect and while doing so I found various complementary as well as fundamental details.

I have now reached the point however where I would like to discuss the whole with an expert and I would therefor certainly appreciate to know whether I have to consider our agreement on complete silence as still being valid and necessary or not

It might be that you are too busy to be able to write to me or that the authorities are not interested. As it is not my intention to bother you too much with it, I will take it that there is no longer any necessity for silence on my part if I do not receive any information to the contrary by the end of this month.

By this proposition I do not intend to force an issue but I would like to discuss a subject like this with scientists friends of mine, which I cannot do as long as I am bound by my promise to you.

With very kind regards,

Yours Truly

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI DATE: 10/3/52

FROM : SAC, NEWARK (100-36998)

SUBJECT: RE: SPECIAL INQUIRY
UNIDENTIFIED AERIAL OBJECTS;
Inspector General, USAF
2nd District Office of Special Investigations
67 Broad Street
New York 4, New York Flying Discs

For the information of the Bureau, on August 27, 1952, the Newark division received a request from the Inspector General, United States Air Force, 2nd District Office of Special Investigations, 67 Broad Street, New York 4, New York, that the background of a civilian photographer, [redacted] Paterson, N. J., and of [redacted] Passaic, N. J., be investigated in an attempt to determine their reliability in view of the fact that they had allegedly observed and photographed an unidentified aerial object on July 31, 1952.

The appropriate credit and criminal checks were made in this matter as well as discreet neighborhood inquiries as to both individuals, and no information was received that either individual had criminal records or that they were known in the past to have perpetrated any kind of fraud.

It was ascertained that [redacted] did photograph an allegedly unidentified aerial object and that [redacted] witnessed the incident and developed and printed the exposed film which was subsequently forwarded to the 5th OSI District, Air Technical Intelligence Center, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio by Mr. [redacted], staff writer, "The Herald News, Passaic, N. J."

The letter further requested that the photographer and the witness be questioned as to the circumstances under which the photographs were taken and that an attempt be made to locate other sources in the area that might determine the authenticity of the photos. No investigation of this type was made by the Newark division.

In accordance with SAC letter #83, Series 1952 dated 8/29/52, the results of the credit and criminal checks and the neighborhood investigations were forwarded to the local OSI Office, New York City and no further investigations have been made by this office.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. A. H. Belmont

FROM : [redacted]

DATE: September 20, 1952

SUBJECT: STRANGE WHITE OBJECT SEEN OVER MONTANA ON SEPTEMBER 19, 1952

I talked with ASAC Plaxico of Butte on September 20, re the attached news releases indicating that the FBI was investigating a strange white object which reportedly streaked across the sky of Montana for about one hundred miles. Mr. Plaxico stated that while a report of this object had been received at the Butte Office, that no investigation was conducted regarding the matter and that none was contemplated.

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For your information.

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Mr. [redacted]
Roadstown, New Jersey

Dear [redacted]

Your letter postmarked September 6, 1952, has been received, and I appreciate the interest prompting you to let me have the benefit of your observations.

Since the contents of your communication may be of interest to other governmental agencies, I am taking the liberty of forwarding copies of it to the Administrator of Civil Aeronautics, Civil Aeronautics Administration, Department of Commerce, Washington, D. C., and to The Honorable, The Secretary of Defense, The Pentagon, Washington, D. C.

Sincerely yours,

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J. Edgar Hoover,
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Dear Mr Hoover!-

Since reading so much about flying saucers and other objects in the Sky, I have decided to write you about a theory which I came to believe in 1917

One evening about 10 - I saw an object in the South western Sky. It seemed to be falling toward the Earth at about a 50° angle which would let it hit about South of us. It went behind some buildings and when I ran out to see where it might hit, it was moving horizontal with the Earth's surface. Almost immediately it started to rise and seemed to rise faster and

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straighter . . til it disappear into space in the South East

It looked half as big as the Moon and was a pale yellow, but since it was much closer I know it was much smaller.

A man above 70 sat here and saw it. He said his ancestors had seen them generations back and had called them "Omens" and also "Jack O Lanterns"

I was very much concerned about how this body had fallen half way to Earth [from where I had first seen it] and had then risen and vanished into space.

I knew it was to far in Earth's Gravity to be pulled out by the Gravity of the Sun or Moon, as they were on the opposite side of the Earth. This object had gone in an entirely different direction than either of them.

At the time I was studying magnets. They seemed to be very simple devices, with the following Characteristics. They attracted Iron. They attracted each other. They repelled each other. Some had much Pull and much Push. Some had much Pull and little Push. Some had little Pull and much Push. and some had little Pull and little Push.

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a complete C unit, such as Earth, contains a force which pulls all objects toward its center.

It also contains a force, similar to that of a magnet, which repels (Pushes) all objects away from its center.

The Pull of Earth C minus its Push, equals the force of C as we know and feel it.

The Earth as a unit contains this P[illegible] force of C, but no rock or part of the Earth contains this force. A magnet attracts only certain metals and repels only magnets. A C unit attracts all other C units and also repels them in proportion to its [illegible] C. It also attracts or repels all lesser objects that do not contain a [illegible] C.

The Earth with the more Pull than Push attracts all objects and those without a center of C fall to its surface or are found in the upper air as meteors or falling stars.

Some G [illegible] ute contain mo Push than [illegible] Pl. For example the Stars which seem to be trying to run away from the universe contain much more Push than Pull and expel or Push all loose objects on their surface, out into space. That is up to a weight in proportion to the difference between their Push & Pull G.

The Sun and its Planets contain more Pull than Push.

The Planet nearest the Sun contains more Pull in relation to its Push than any other Planet.

The Planet furthest from the Sun contains less Pull in relation to its Push than any other Planet.

If each Planet had the atmosphere of Earth a man would weigh more on the Planet nearest the Sun and would weigh less on each Planet as he moved out from the Sun.

The Pull G of Mars may be much greater than Earth's Pull G. But if it is, Mars Push is much greater also

There are many hundreds of small G Units, with the right proportion of P + P.C., moving around the Sun in smaller Orbits than the Earth.

Some are probably smaller than a grain of sand and some are large enough that they will one day be found and their Orbit traced.

Some are all Gas, Some are all solids and some are solids with Gas around them. Some may be composed entirely of metal and coming in contact with the air at high speed would take on the color of that metal when "Red hot" or burning. The Gases would present different colors.

Some travel in Orbits close to that of the Earth.

Some travel in Orbits around the Earth and are locked to it. (like the moon)

These small G Units may travel alone or in groups of different numbers and formations

Any one or any group of these small G Units may be

Pushed & Pulled near enough to the Earth to be seen.

Those attached to Earth travel around the Equator and are seen, mostly, in that section.

The G Units that have to much Push in relation to their Pull to attach them selves to a Planet or the Sun are tossed about in space from Planet to Planet and, if seen, may be traveling in any direction and any speed.

These small G Units do not fall to Earth but combine their P&PG with that of Earth and sail away into Space, whence they came.

The greatest Pull of Earths G is centered about the Equator. Thus great Pull keeps the Equator facing toward the Sun.

The greatest Push is at the Poles

Thus a man would weigh more at the Equator than at the Poles.

A Plane flies faster at its Ceiling because the Push G makes up for the loss of Air left

A Compass needle points north. so a Magnet and G must be related.

The Pull G of the Moon is much greater than its Push. This Pull causes higher tides here on Earth than the Pull of the Sun. Not because it is greater than the Pull of the Sun [the Sun may be many times greater] but because it is much greater in proportion to its Push. The greatest Pull of the Moon is centered on the side facing the Earth. This great Pull keeps the moon from turning, except as it rotates around Earth. This great Pull is locked with Earths G Pull at Equator and so the Moon hangs over our Equator. But the great Push of Earths G combines with that of the moon & holds them apart.

Another moon, or a comet, or any small G body, coming into the Solar system from Space; at the right angle; and with the right proportion of P+P G. Could attach itself to the Sun or any of its Planets. If it were the Earth it would circle us at the Equator, due to the greate G pull at that point.

The P+P.G. of the Sun reaches out and holds the farthest Planet and that Planets P+P.G. reaches to the Sun. Thus our Solar system's P+P.G reaches out to hold its nearest neighbors just so close and no closer.

Most likely no two G units have ever collided unless one first lost its power of P+P G.

As two magnets are pushed together they resist each other with a twisting force. This may be the answer to the rotation of the Earth on its axis. The Great Pull at Equator, with more Push at poles may be answer to Seasons.

Creatures with the right organs can live in their own environment. Thus they could be made to live on any Planet or even on any moon. This does not mean that the same creatures could live here as our own, Any ship with a center of Gravity control could travel through any space at almost limitless speed. It could also stand still. An occupant would have no sense of speed or sudden change of direction.

Just as Earth is surrounded by air, a G ship would have a layer of the same kind of gas as the Planet or Star where it was made.

This would act as a buffer and keep the ship cool.

But I doubt if we have any such visitor from Space.

I think the visitors seen are the small G units circling the Earth + Sun. and not one of them will ever bring harm to our people.

I wonder if any of the flying Saucers are man made G units. We have many Scientists working in the Atomic field and also in other fields with almost limitless possibilities. Possibly some type of balloon has been

bombarded with a cyclotron. (!!)
If it has risen faster and higher and if it flies much longer! Then these may be the first G units made by man.

I simply wish to convey the idea that every Planet or grain of sand containing a center of Gravity sends out a repelling force as well as a pulling force. These forces hold the Earth & Sun, "Locked", so the Earth may be pulled many miles closer to the Sun one day and Pushed many miles away the next, but can get only so close & only so far away.

Thus all G units are not only safe from colliding with each other but are mostly locked in definite Orbits.

Since this idea (or theory) fits in and explains many of the flying saucers seen here in the States I am writing you because I feel that the present course of events, makes this idea worth investigating and I know you will deliver it to the right person or group.

With the highest esteem for you and your department I thank you for your very kind service.—

[redacted]

Roadstown,
N.J.

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : [redacted]

DATE: August 29, 1952

FROM : [redacted]

SUBJECT: *UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT*
ALLEGEDLY CITED BY MR. [redacted]
WEST PALM BEACH, FLORIDA

Tele. Room
Gandy

By letter of August 26, 1952, the Air Force requested that we examine the cap of Mr. [redacted] *a scoutmaster at West Palm Beach, Florida, who claims that he observed an unidentified flying object in a desolate area. He reported that upon his investigation, a* [redacted] *object 30 feet in diameter hovered over his head and shot a "red blob" which caused him to lose consciousness. The cap has some holes burned in it and it is reported that the hair on Desvergers' arms was singed. The Air Force requested that we determine, if possible, from any residues left the nature of the residual material.*

[redacted]

[redacted]

The Air Force desires an oral report on this tonight. We have finished the examination and are preparing to advise the Air Force as follows:

[redacted]

1. There is no residue which would permit a determination as to the nature of the material which caused the burns in the cap. In addition to the obvious burns, there is one minute burned area which is probably too small to have been caused intentionally but more likely by a small hot ember.

2. The bill and a large part of the edges of the cap are singed but the singeing is not uniform as would be expected if it had been caused at one time by a single flash of flame. The front edge of the cap bill is more severely singed than other portions of the cap. This condition would not be expected if the source of the flame was directly overhead.

3. When the cap is observed from the front, the left edge of the insignia and the fold in the blue cloth, there is an absence of singeing noted under the fold suggesting the possibility that the cap was not being worn when the singeing took place. It is noted that this fold "smooths out" when the cap is placed on the head.

RECOMMENDATION: That in response to the request, of Colonel [redacted] *of the Air Force, it is recommended that he be orally advised of the above.*

cc: [redacted]

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : A. H. BELMONT

DATE: August 18, 195

FROM : [redacted]

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS

[redacted]

PURPOSE:

To advise all Supervisors engaged on night duty of instructions concerning the referral of flying disc information to OSI.

BACKGROUND:

Captain [redacted] OSI, 4th Air Force Base, Bowling Field, has requested that any information concerning the sighting of flying discs (saucers, etc.) be telephonically furnished immediately to his office, day or night, by dialling Code 1261, and asking for Extension 509. Captain [redacted] advised the Air Force is greatly concerned about the captioned matter, and would appreciate the Bureau's cooperation in immediately advising of details received concerning such complaints.

ACTION:

It is recommended a copy of this memorandum be filed in the night and week-end Supervisor's book in your office for their information.

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(C) FLYING DISCS -- Reference is made to Bureau Bulletin #57, Paragraph D, dated October 1, 1947, and SAC Letter #38, dated March 25, 1949, in the captioned matter.

It is noted that some Bureau field offices are not furnishing to OSI locally complaints regarding flying discs, pursuant to existing Bureau instructions.

Upon receipt of information by your office relating to the sighting of a flying disc, you should endeavor to determine from the complainant details of the type referred to in the Air Force memorandum, which was furnished to your office as an enclosure to SAC Letter #38. The information should then be promptly furnished to OSI locally by your office. As you are aware, the investigation of so-called flying discs is the responsibility of the Department of the Air Force.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. A. H. Belmont
DATE: August 22, 1952

FROM : Mr. [redacted]

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS

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PURPOSE:

To recommend existing instructions to the field re flying discs be called to the attention of the field.

BACKGROUND:

A review of communications received from the field indicates they are not observing existing instructions contained in Bureau Bulletin #57, paragraph D, dated 10/1/47, and SAC Letter #38, dated 3/25/49, to refer details of complaints regarding flying saucers to OSI locally.

ACTION:

It is recommended the attached SAC Letter be issued.

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Mr. [redacted]
Koshkonong, Missouri

Dear Mr. [redacted]

Your letter dated August 14, 1952, has been received, and I want to thank you for affording me the benefit of your observations.

Inasmuch as the matter to which you refer is of interest to another governmental agency, I am taking the liberty of forwarding a copy of your communication to the Director of Special Investigations, The Inspector General, Department of the Air Force, The Pentagon, Washington 25, D. C.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Copy of incoming sent to the Director of Special Investigations, the Inspector General, Department of the Air Force, by form letter.

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Mr Hoover

Flying saucers

For four years have I claimed ~~that~~ the flying saucer was a disease breeding electrical disc which are [illegible] in the air. Thousands of them are ma[illegible] being [illegible] over the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Russians. Most

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Credit for your Department
Thanks

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August 20, 1952

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[redacted]
Los Angeles 6, California

Dear [redacted]

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Your letter of August 12, 1952, has been received and I want you to know that I appreciate the interest prompting you to bring your observations to my attention.

Inasmuch as the matter to which you refer is of interest to the United States Air Force authorities, I am taking the liberty of making a copy of your communication available to The Honorable, The Secretary of the Air Force, The Pentagon, Washington 25, D. C.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Los Angeles 6 California August 12th 1952

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Dear Mr. Hoover

Last Sunday my wife and I attented a Moveing picture where they showed the Flying Saucer, it looked like a spot of light

It gave me the impression that there might be a plane up in the sky with a spot light or serch light that is send down from the plane and when our planes make an affort to go up there to find them they turn off the light and there for we feel that they have made a fast getaway up into the sky at a very fast speed this plane goes bac to its air field or to another place and fool the public

If our plane on its way up to find this plane would go up with all th lights turned off and stay farr away and try to come over the top of this plane they would be able to catch it but they should be prepaired to shoot it out if needed

I think in order to prove this Idia we should send one of our own plane up and have them send down a spot light or serch light to find out if this is not true

if this is of any help it will make me happy

I dont think I am very Off

Sincerely [redacted]

Los Angeles 6 California

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Director, FBI   August 5, 1952

SAC, San Diego

[redacted]

In view of the current hysteria concerning the so-called "flying saucers", I thought that the Bureau might be interested in the following information concerning the captioned organization.

I am transmitting herewith certain literature concerning the captioned organization which was furnished to me by [redacted], who operates the [redacted] Company in San Diego and who has his office in the same building housing the FBI office.

It is of interest to note that on Friday, August 1, 1952, at approximately 12:00 noon, [redacted] asked to see me urgently, which I did. As a member of the captioned organization, he advised me that they were having a meeting at 1:00 PM the same day, inasmuch as they had been advised that they had some very important information to discuss. He went on to relate that through the means utilized by his organization (which the enclosed literature will reflect borders on the occult), they were able to prognosticate well in advance the recent earthquake which occurred in Tehachapi, California. He advised that they have also been able to obtain the following information:

1. That a very severe tidal wave will hit the Pacific Ocean sometime in the not too remote future and that most of the Japanese Islands will be washed away and disappear.

2. That all fishes with scales in Japanese waters will soon leave these waters for other destinations, in view of the oncoming tidal wave.

3. That this tidal wave will wash away the Hawaiian Islands.

4. That the West Coast of the United States will likewise be affected by this tidal wave.

5. That they prognosticated the appearance of a new island in the Pacific which was published in the newspapers within the past week.

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Re: [redacted]

6. That the flying saucers are not fantasies; that they are factual and actual; that his associates in the captioned organization have been in conversation with the men operating the flying saucers, and that they have asked that high officials of the U. S. Government be informed that they are here on our planet on a peaceful mission and that they are not on a warlike mission. However, if the U. S. Government continues to send planes after these flying saucers and if these planes fire on the flying saucers, they have disintegrators which they will utilize and which will disintegrate these planes completely in no time flat.

[redacted] requested that either I myself attend the meeting at 1:00 PM or that I designate a stenographer to attend the meeting, so that she could take down all the minutes of the meeting. I told him that unfortunately this was very short notice, that I had another commitment and that our stenographers were pretty well occupied at that time. He said he would advise me of anything important that might transpire at the meeting. As of August 2, 1952, he has not advised me of anything which transpired at the meeting.

I should like to point out that [redacted] appears to be a perfectly sane, sound individual; he operates a very large insurance business in San Diego, and is convinced in his own mind of the efficacy of this organization.

No investigation is being conducted concerning this matter and I do not contemplate attending any meetings of this organization.

August 22, 1952

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Jackson, Minnesota

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Dear Mr. [redacted]

Your letter postmarked August 15, 1952, together with enclosure, has been received, and I want to thank you for bringing this matter to my attention.

Inasmuch as the contents of your communication do not reflect any violation within the jurisdiction of this Bureau, I am unable to comply with your request.

I am taking the liberty of forwarding a copy of your letter and your original enclosure to the Director of Special Investigations, The Inspector General, Department of the Air Force, The Pentagon, Washington 25, D. C., since these matters may be of interest to that agency.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
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NOTE: In view of correspondent's reference to a "steady whit light" circling their farm, his letter ~~which~~ is being referre to the U.S. Air Force branch interested in matters of this typ Correspondent's enclosure was a sample of what appeared to be shredded thin strips of tinfoil.

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Jackson Miss
Aug 2, 195

Flying Saucers -

J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation.
Washington D.C.

[redacted]
Jackson, Miss
[redacted]

Dear Mr Hoover:

I wish to ask if you analyze are
so will send you a sample of (something
looks like Tinsel) because ~~we~~ we found it
in a pasture in a round pile, and
near it, it looks as tho the clover
burned. & There are 3 similar patches
are burned in a triangle form. Last
Morning the Neighbors wife got up
a drink of water & happened to see a
white light circling their farm & didn't
pay any attention to it. Then Sunday m
when ~~he~~ went to get the cows, ~~he~~ sa
this stuff shining in sunlight. It a
of been dropped out of a plane it was
loose & not in a container. nearest
is about a ½ mile from the pasture & now
are wondering what it is. So would like

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Have you analyze it & let me know.

Sincerely yours,

[redacted]

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TRUE COPY

Jackson Minn
Aug 2, 1952

J. Edgar Hoover
Federal bureau of Investigation.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr Hoover:

I don't know if you analyze articles so will send you a sample of (something that looks like tinsel) because my uncle found it in a pasture in a round pile, underneath of it, it looks as tho the clover was burned. & there are 3 similar patches which are burned in a triangle form. Last Sunday Morning the Neighbors Wife got up to get a drink of water & happned to see a steady white Light circling their farm, but didn't pay any attention to it. Than Sunday morn. when my uncle went to get the cows, he saw this stuff shining in the Sun light. It couldn't of been dropped out of a plane as it was loose & not in a container & the nearest road is about a ½ mile from the pasture & now we are wondering what it is. So would like to have you analyze it & let me know.

Sincerely yours,

[redacted]

Date: August 20, 1952

To:
Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

From:
John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: FLYING SAUCERS

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES
AND FIELD OFFICES
ADVISED BY ROUTING
SLIP(S) OF 204
DATE 9/1/7

There is attached a communication which was enclosed with a letter dated July 29, 1952, from Mr. [redacted] Brooklyn 5, New York, relative to the captioned matter.

Mr. [redacted] letter has been acknowledged and he has been informed that this communication has been furnished to your office for appropriate attention. No further action is contemplated in this matter by this Bureau.

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CC: [redacted]

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Director, FBI   8-18-52

SAC, San Diego (100-3565)

BORDERLAND SCIENCES , RESEARCH ASSOCIATES
San Diego, California;
[redacted]

Reference is made to San Diego letter dated 8-5-52 concerning the captioned matter.

For the additional information of the Bureau, there is being transmitted herewith one copy each of the following which were made available to me by [redacted] who is a member of the captioned organization:

1. Mimeographed letter consisting of four pages addressed to His Excellency, The President of the United States.

2. Mimeographed announcement consisting of three pages entitled "For Information of the Public — and the Sake of the Record — A Synopsis of Important Data".

Enclosure (2)
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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. [redacted]

FROM : [redacted]

SUBJECT: ANONYMOUS COMMUNICATION WRITTEN IN GERMAN LANGUAGE RECEIVED BY [redacted] PERTAINING TO "FLYING SAUCERS"
SECURITY MATTER - X

DATE: August 8, 1952

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Reference is made to a letter from the Cincinnati Office dated August 6, 1952, submitting an anonymous letter in German concerning so-called "Flying Saucers."

Attached are 7 copies of a translation of this German material prepared in the Cryptanalysis-Translation Section.

No reply has been made by us to the August 6, 1952, letter from Cincinnati.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Domestic Intelligence Division review the Cincinnati submission and accompanying Bureau translation, for appropriate handling, noting particularly a suggestion in the last paragraph of the Cincinnati letter to consider making this information available to other Governmental Agencies.

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TRANSLATION FROM GERMAN

Flying Saucer,
a weapon tested in 1944, which is probably now being produced in series, and at this time causes a great stir, is a V-weapon which has a round body similar to a disk having a diameter of about 46-50 m. On the outer ring it has about 45-50 automatic circular nozzles which after the ignition of the disk circulate around a plexiglass sphere in the center in which the measuring and controlling devices for long-distance steering are located. In the sphere is still sufficient space for atom bombs. These weapons are in Russian hands and can have an effective range of 30-35,000 km. The constructor of V-weapons RIEDEL in Germany stated that it concerns a typical V-weapon on which he had worked himself. I am sure that the truth is better than a panic among ignorant people.

H. [illegible]CH.

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Date: August 14, 1952

To: Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: FLYING DISKS

There is attached a copy of a self-explanatory letter dated August 1, 1952, received by this Bureau from Mrs. [redacted] Avenue, Fairmont, West Virginia, relating to the captioned matter.

Mrs. [redacted] letter has been acknowledged and she has been informed that a copy of her letter has been furnished to your office for appropriate attention. No further action is contemplated in this matter by this Bureau.

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NOTE:

Bureau files fail to reflect any information that can be identified with Mrs. [redacted]

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Date: August 13, 1952

To: Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: FLYING DISKS

There is attached a copy of a self explanatory letter dated July 31, 1952, received by this Bureau from Mr. [redacted] [redacted] Park Avenue, New York City, relating to the captioned matter.

Mr. [redacted]s letter has been acknowledged and he has been informed that a copy of his letter has been furnished to your office for appropriate attention. No further action is contemplated in this matter by this Bureau.

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AUG 26 1952

Date: August 13, 1952

To:
Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

From:
John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: FLYING DISKS

There is attached a Photostat of a self explanatory letter dated August 5, 1952, at Pontiac, Michigan, received by this Bureau from Mr. [redacted] [redacted] Zone 17, Pontiac, Michigan, relating to the captioned matter.

Mr. [redacted]' letter has been acknowledged and he has been informed that a copy of his letter has been furnished to your office for appropriate attention. No further action is contemplated in this matter by this Bureau.

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There is no record identifiable with [redacted] in the files of the Bureau

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53 AUG 21 1952

August 12, 1952

Mrs. [redacted]
[redacted]
New Palestine, Indiana

Dear Mrs. [redacted]

Your letter dated July 31, 1952, addressed to the War Department, c/o Federal Bureau of Investigation, has been received.

Your interest in furnishing your observation in this regard is appreciated.

In view of the contents of your communication which also appear to be of interest to the Department of the Air Force, I have taken the liberty of furnishing that Agency a copy of your letter.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Mr. [redacted]
Mauston, Wisconsin

Dear [redacted]

Your letter dated August 1, 1952, has been received, and I appreciate the interest which prompted your bringing your observations to my attention.

Inasmuch as the matter of the flying saucers is being investigated by the United States Air Force, I am taking the liberty of forwarding a copy of your letter to the Director of Special Investigations, The Inspector General, Department of the Air Force, The Pentagon, Washington, D. C. If you have further observations along this line, I would suggest that you may wish to communicate directly with him.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Copy by form to Air Force Intelligence.

NOTE: Special Agent [redacted], EOD 3-28-25, GS-12, $8760, assigned to Minneapolis.
Special Agent [redacted], EOD 4-6-31, GS-15, $10,800, assigned Division II as inspector.

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Mauston, Wisconsin, 1 August 195

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director
FBI
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

As a retired member of the St Paul Police Force and having had numerous pleasant contacts with Agent [redacted] and [redacted] I take the liberty of an opinion that came to me that the flying saucers scare seems possible that the released energy of exploded Atomic Bombs could be soaring around in the atmosphere. I know you can channel this thought to the proper authorities and certainly would appreciate your comments on this thought.

I am a Veteran of both World War #1 and #2 and also a member of the American Legion for 32 years. I am presently a member of The American Legion Post #81 of Mauston, Wisconsin which is known as the Burton-Hopping Post.

If this thought is instrumental in tracking down the course of this scare thereby relieving some of the tension to our American Country, it might be worth following up at this time.

Thanking you very much for your cooperation and consideration in this matter and will you please acknowledge and advise your comments.

Yours very truly,

[redacted]

Mauston, Wisconsin

CC: Personal file

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Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Belmont
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Harbo
Mr. [illegible]
Mr. [illegible]
Mr. Laughlin
Mr. Mohr
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Mr. Holloman
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FBI, SAVANNAH 8-9-52 6-46 PM EST WED

DIRECTOR, FBI URGENT

FLYING SAUCERS, SAVANNAH RIVER PLANT, AEC. SECURITY OFFICE OF AEC ADVISED THIS DATE THAT TWO EMPLOYEES OF THE E. I. DU PONT COMPANY SAW A BLUE LIGHT WITH AN ORANGE FRINGE SHAPED LIKE A SAUCER FLY OVER THE FOUR HUNDRED AREA OF THE SAVANNAH RIVER PLANT AT APPROXIMATELY NINE THIRTY PM AUGUST EIGHT, FIFTYTWO. OBJECT FLYING AT A HIGH RATE OF SPEED AND TRAVELING IN A NORTHEASTERN DIRECTION.

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Date: 11/7/57

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Transmit the following message via AIRTEL

AIRMAIL
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI Flying Saucers

FROM: SAC, DETROIT (100-26505)

UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS; IS - X.

Re Detroit Teletype to Bureau, 11/7/57, captioned "UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS; IS - X."

Interview of [redacted], aka. [redacted] reported in blank memo, five copies of which are enclosed herewith for the Bureau, was conducted by SA [redacted]

No indication of irrational or otherwise abnormal behavior by [redacted] was observed during the interview.

[redacted] advised that his communication was directed to Mr. ROBERT CUTLER rather than to President EISENHOWER after seeing Mr. CUTLER's picture and identification with the President's Office in a local paper.

[redacted] resides with his wife, nee [redacted] married in 1952 at Detroit, and four small children, in a single residence in an old Polish neighborhood at [redacted] Detroit. No previous record located in Detroit indices identifiable with [redacted] or his wife.

On 11/7/57, [redacted] advised IC [redacted] that records of the [redacted], reflect only [redacted] inquiries concerning [redacted] during 6/56 and 3/57 and 6/57, which confirm his local address and employment

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1 - Detroit

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Special Agent in Charge

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Detroit 31, Michigan
November 7,1957

UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

In response to a letter directed by him to Mr. Robert Cutler, Special Assistant to President Dwight D. Eisenhower, reflecting that he "might have some information about the rocket in Texas," [redacted] Detroit, was interviewed November 7, 1957, and furnished the following information:

Born February 19, 1926 in the State of Warsaw, Poland, [redacted] was brought from Poland as a prisoner of War to Gut Alt Golssen, approximately 30 miles east of Berlin, Germany, in May, 1942, where he remained until a few weeks after the end of World War II. He spent the following years at Displaced Persons Camps at Kork, Strasburg, Offenburg, Milheim and Freiburg, Germany. He attended a radio technician school at Freiburg and for about a year was employed in a textile mill at Laurachbaden, Germany. He arrived in the United States at New York, May 2, 1951, via the "S.S. General Stewart" as a Displaced Person, destined to the Reverend [redacted], Hamtramck, Michigan; his alien registration number – [redacted]

Since May, 1951, he has been employed at the Gobel Brewery, Detroit.

News report of mysterious vehicle in Texas causing engines to stall prompted him to communicate with the United States Government concerning a similar phenomenon observed by him in 1944 in the area of Gut Alt Golssen.

According to [redacted], during 1944, month not recalled, while enroute to work in a field a short distance north of Gut Alt Golssen, their tractor engine stalled on a road through a swamp area. No machinery or other vehicle was then visible although a noise was heard described as a high-pitched whine similar to that produced by a large electric generator.

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An "SS" guard appeared and talked briefly with the German driver of the tractor, who waited five to ten minutes, after which the noise stopped and the tractor engine was started normally. Approximately 3 hours later in the same swamp area, but away from the road where the work crew was cutting "hay", he surreptitiously, because of the German in charge of the crew and "SS" guards in the otherwise deserted area, observed a circular enclosure approximately 100 to 150 yards in diameter protected from viewers by a tarpaulin-type wall approximately 50 feet high, from which a vehicle was observed to slowly rise vertically to a height sufficient to clear the wall and then to move slowly horizontally a short distance out of his view, which was obstructed by nearby trees.

This vehicle, observed from approximately 500 feet, was described as circular in shape, 75 to 100 yards in diameter, and about 14 feet high, consisting of dark gray stationary top and bottom sections, five to six feet high. The approximate three foot middle section appeared to be a rapidly moving component producing a continuous blur similar to an aeroplane propeller, but extending the circumference of the vehicle so far as could be observed. The noise emanating from the vehicle was similar but of somewhat lower pitch than the noise previously heard. The engine of the tractor again stalled on this occasion and no effort was made by the German driver to start the engine until the noise stopped, after which the engine started normally.

Uninsulated metal, possibly copper, cables one and one-half inch to two inches in diameter, on and under the surface of the ground, in some places covered by water, were observed on this and previous occasions, apparently running between the enclosure and a small concrete column-like structure between the road and enclosure.

This area was not visited by [redacted] again until shortly after the end of World War II, when it was observed the cables had been removed and the previous locations of the concrete structure and the enclosure were covered by water. [redacted] stated he has not been in communication since 1945 with any of the work crew of 16 or 18 men, consisting of Russian, French and Polish POWs, who had discussed this incident among themselves many times. However, of these, [redacted] was able to recall by name only [redacted] no address known, described as then about 50 years of age and presumed by [redacted] to have returned to Poland after 1945.

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This report is loaned to you by the FBI, and neither it nor its contents are to be distributed outside your agency.

1 - Mr. Boardman
1 - Mr. Belmont
1 - Mr. Sanders
1 - Liaison

BY COURIER SERVICE
November 8, 1957

Mr. J. Patrick Coyne
National Security Council
Executive Office Building
Washington 25, D. C.

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
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DATE 5/20/85 BY [redacted]
Comp #045914 b7c

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Dear Pat:

Reference is made to the letter addressed to "Mr. Robert Cutler, Washington 25, D. C.," by Mr. [redacted] Detroit 11, Michigan, in which [redacted] advised that he might have some information "about the rocket in Texas." He desired to know to whom he could speak in this regard.

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Mr. [redacted] was interviewed on November 7, 1957, at which time he advised that his name is [redacted] that he is also known as [redacted] that he was born on February 19, 1926, in Warsaw, Poland, and that he was a German prisoner of war from May, 1942, until the Summer of 1945. [redacted] advised that he arrived in New York on May 2, 1951, as a displaced person, Alien Registration Number [redacted] He advised that during 1944, while he was a German prisoner of war, he observed a vehicle described as circular in shape, seventy-five to one hundred yards in diameter, and approximately fourteen feet high. He stated the vehicle was observed to rise vertically to a height sufficient to clear a fifty-foot wall and that it moved slowly horizontally a short distance out of view which was obstructed by trees. He stated that the engine of a tractor failed to operate during this period and that the engine failed on one other occasion when a high-pitched whining noise was heard in the area. During the interview, [redacted] spoke in a rational manner with no indication of mental instability.

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Mr. J. Patrick Coyne

You will be advised of any further information which may be received regarding [redacted] and the information furnished by him.

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Pursuant to your request, Mr. [redacted] letter is returned herewith.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Enclosure

1 - Office of Security
Department of State

1 - Director
Central Intelligence Agency

Attention: Deputy Director, Plans

1 - Assistant Chief of Staff, Intelligence
Department of the Army

Attention: Chief, Security Division

1 - Director of Naval Intelligence

1 - Office of Special Investigations
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1 - Immigration and Naturalization Service

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TELETYPE

URGENT 11-7-57 4-55 PM EST WHH

TO DIRECTOR FBI

FROM SAC, DETROIT 1P

FLYING DISCS

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UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS, IS - X. REBUTEL NOV SIX LAST. [redacted], DOB FEB NINETEEN, NINETEEN TWENTYSIX, WARSAW, POLAND, WAS GERMAN POW MAY, NINETEEN FORTY TWO, UNTIL SUMMER OF NINETEEN FOURTYFIVE. ARRIVED NY MAY TWO, NINETEEN FIFTYONE, AS DP, AR NO. AR [redacted] [redacted] UPON INTERVIEW ADVISED THAT WHILE GERMAN POW DURING NINETEEN FORTYFOUR OBSERVED A VEHICLE DESCRIBED AS CIRCULAR IN SHAPE, SEVENTY FIVE TO ONE HUNDRED YARDS IN DIAMETER, APPROXIMATELY FOURTEEN FEET HIGH. THE VEHICLE WAS OBSERVED TO SLOWLY RISE VERTICALLY TO HEIGHT SUFFICIENT TO CLEAR FIFTY FOOT WALL AND TO MOVE SLOWLY HORIZONTALLY A SHORT DISTANCE OUT OF VIEW OBSTRUCTED BY TREES. ENGINE OF TRACTOR FAILED TO OPERATE DURING THIS PERIOD AND ONE OTHER OCCASION WHEN HIGH PITCHED WHINNING NOISE HEARD IN AREA. NO INDICATION OF MENTAL INSTABILITY DURING INTERVIEW. ~~FURTHER DETAILS~~ FOLLOW AMSD.

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Let to Coyne, NSC (encl. retaining ltr)
cc-State, CIA, Army, Navy, AF, INS
11-8-57. ESS

J.C. Coyne telephonically advised 11/8/57 WOB

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Mr. Belmont

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EX 105

cc Brennan

November 6, 1957

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URGENT PLAIN TEXT

SAC, DETROIT

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UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS, IS-X. MR. [redacted] [redacted] DETROIT, ELEVEN, MICHIGAN, ADDRESSED LETTER DATED NOVEMBER FOURTH TO ROBERT CUTLER, WHO IS SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT, STATING QUOTE I MIGHT HAVE SOME INFORMATION ABOUT THE ROCKET IN TEXAS. I HEARD ABOUT IT ON THE POLISH RADIO PROGRAM. I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW TO WHOM I COULD SPEAK TO. UNQUOTE IMMEDIATELY INTERVIEW [redacted] FOR ANY INFORMATION HE MAY HAVE. BUFILES REFLECT NO INFORMATION RE [redacted] SUTEL.

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EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL
WASHINGTON

November 5, 1957

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. ALAN H. BELMONT
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, FBI

Pursuant to my conversation with you a few moments ago, there is enclosed a letter received by General Cutler's office today from Mr. [redacted] Detroit 11, Michigan.

It would be appreciated if the Bureau, at its convenience, would arrange for a representative to interview [redacted] for the purpose of obtaining any information in his possession in elaboration of the substance of his letter.

Your assistance in this and related matters is appreciated.

J. Patrick Coyne
J. Patrick Coyne

11/5 Coyne called me re this. I told him we would interview the writer if he would send over the letter.

Enclosure

ADDENDUM: I would appreciate the return of [redacted] letter when it has served your purpose.

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Nov. 6, 57.

Dear Mr. Robert Cutler;

I might have some information about the rocket in Texas. I heard about it on the Polish Radio Program.

I would like to know to whom I could speak to.

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[redacted]

Detroit 11, Mich.

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TO DIRECTOR FLYING DISCS

FROM SAC, SPRINGIELD 072245

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REPORT OF SIGHTING OF UNKNOWN FLYING OBJECT NEAR DANVILLE, ILLINOIS, NOVEMBER 6, 1957, INFORMATION CONCERNING. [redacted] [redacted], REPORTED THAT [redacted], [redacted] [redacted] REPORTED AT APPROXIMATELY 9:00 PM, NOVEMBER 7, 1957, SIGHTING A BRIGHT WHITE LIGHT FLYING THROUGH THE AIR IN A SOUTHWESTERLY DIRECTION FROM DANVILLE, ILLINOIS. [redacted] TRIED TO FOLLOW IN THEIR CAR IN THE SAME DIRECTION AND DROVE GENERALLY IN A SOUTHWESTERLY DIRECTION FOR TWENTY MILES WHEN THEY LOST SIGHT OF THE OBJECT. DURING THIS TIME IT APPEARED AS BRIGHT WHITE, AMBER AND ORANGE. NO INDICATION THAT IT DIPPED TO THE GROUND OR THAT IT AFFECTED THEIR CAR. THEY REPORTED FOR A FEW SECONDS IT SEEMED TO AFFECT BOTH THE RECEIVER AND TRANSMITTER OF THEIR FM TWO-WAY RADIO. REPRESENTATIVES OF INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE INQUIRED THIS OFFICE CONCERNING, NO COMMENT WAS MADE. ABOVE BEING FURNISHED FOR INFORMATION BUREAU.

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b7c [redacted] OSI, [illegible] Field Duty Officer given above info. 12 30 11/8/57

Mr. Rosen

ESP

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cc Mr. Belmont

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~~TO~~ DIRECTOR FLYING DISCS

FROM SAC, HOUSTON 081700

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UNIDENTIFIED OBJECT WHICH FELL NEAR HOME MRS. [redacted] HOUSTON, TEXAS, OCTOBER 24 LAST. INFORMATION CONCERNING. MRS. [redacted] HOUSTON, ADVISED THAT ON OCTOBER 24 LAST OBJECT BETWEEN SIZE OF GOLF BALL AND FIST FELL INTO HER YARD. OBJECT ALLEGEDLY OF METALLIC ASH OF SOME KIND, WAS BRIGHT AND HOT WHEN IT FELL. OBJECT FOUND BY [redacted] WHO REPORTED IT TO SCIENCE TEACHER, WHO SUGGESTED AUTHORITIES BE CONTACTED. INFORMATION FURNISHED OSI, ELLINGTON AFB, WHO HAS CONDUCTED INVESTIGATION. PRESS INQUIRY RECEIVED TODAY.. ANSWERED BY STATING REPORT OF FALLING OBJECT HAD BEEN RECEIVED AND INFORMATION CONCERNING HAD BEEN RELAYED TO MILITARY AUTHORITIES, ELLINGTON AFB. OBJECT ACCORDING TO OSI IS PART OF AN ORDINARY FLARE AND OF NO SIGNIFICANCE. FOR BUREAUS INFORMATION.

RECEIVED: 4:44 PM RADIO

5:11 PM CODING UNIT HJT

Mr. Belmont

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TO : DIRECTOR FBI DATE: 11-8-57

FROM : SAC KANSAS CITY (66-2995)

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS
INFORMATION CONCERNING

On November 5, 1957, SA (A) [redacted]eceived information from Mr. [redacted] Kansas City, Missouri that an uncle, [redacted] or [redacted], employed by an aircraft concern and residing at Fort Worth, Texas, about two years ago saw an unidentified subject in the sky near his home. He obtained his movie camera and took pictures of the object. About eighteen months ago the uncle visited in Kansas City and the movies of the flying disc were shown. According to [redacted] the pictures were very good and consisted of about fifteen feet of film.

Mr. [redacted] stated that he and his uncle have felt "foolish" when discussing the matter and never bothered to report it. He said however in view of the late international developments he felt that the Government should have this information.

In view of the fact that the Bureau may be interested in this film, it is requested that the Dallas Office at Fort Worth, Texas locate and interview [redacted] or [redacted] and obtain the film for transmittal to the Bureau.

It is suggested that the Bureau, after reviewing the film, advise the Office of Special Investigations, USAF, of any pertinent information deemed appropriate.

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1 - Kansas City (66-2995)

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URGENT 11-7-57 12-41 AM GPU

TO DIRECTOR 2

FROM SAC NEW YORK 1P

UNIDENTIFIED (Flying Discs) ~~FLYING OBJECTS~~ OVER INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF OLD BROOKVILLE, LI, NY, EVENING OF ELEVEN SIX FIFTYSEVEN. INFO CONCERNING.

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[redacted] OF INC. VILLAGE OF OLD BROOKVILLE. ADVISED SEVERAL RESIDENTS OF THAT AREA AND MEMBER OF PD HAVE REPORTED SIGHTING TWO RED LIGHTS HOVERING IN AIR THAT VICINITY. LIGHTS APPEAR TO BE AN EVEN DISTANCE APART AND TO BE JOINED TOGETHER. AT ONE TIME THESE LIGHTS LIT UP AND SEEMED TO CAST A RED DUST OR FOG IN SURROUNDING AIR. [redacted] ADVISED HE REPORTED ABOVE INFO TO MITCHELL AFB (AIR FORCE BASE) AND ROSELYN AIRFIELD. BOTH ADVISED RECEIVING NUMEROUS REPORTS RE ABOVE AND ROSELYN AIR FIELD SAID AIRCRAFT ARE INVESTIGATING MATTER. [redacted] ADVISED ABOVE INFO BROADCAST ON NEWS PROGRAM LOCAL RADIO STATION WINS. OSI, ONE, G-TWO, CAA IN AREA ADVISED.

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Mr. Belmont

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (62-83894) DATE: 4/24/57

FROM : SAC, RICHMOND (62-0)

SUBJECT: CIVILIAN RESEARCH D
INTERPLANETARY FLYING OBJECTS
[redacted] Ave., Cincinnati 27, Ohio
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

Relet from Norfolk to Bureau dated 4/18/57.

For information of Bureau, only record in Richmond indices on [redacted] is that contained in Richmond letter to Bureau dated 3/28/57 entitled "WILHELM REICH, MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING". RUC

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C. [illegible] INFO

SAC, Cincinnati (100-11671)

April 23, 1957

Director, FBI (62-83894)

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CIVILIAN RESEARCH
INTERPLANETARY FLYING OBJECTS
[redacted]
CINCINNATI 27, OHIO
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

Reurlet April 12, 1957, captioned as above.

Bufiles reflect that [redacted] of Dr. Wilhelm Reich, M.D., Director of the Wilhelm Reich Institute, aka., The Orgone Institute Researc Laboratories, Inc., at Rangeley, Maine. Dr. Wilhelm Reich, following extensive investigation by the Food and Drug Administration, United States Department of Health, Education and Welfare, in May, 1956, was found guilty of contempt of cour following the issuance of an injunction barring interstate shipment of devices, literature and promotional material regarding treatments by Reich of cancer and other serious diseases, said devices having been described as worthless by the Food and Drug Administration. Following unsuccessful appeal efforts, Reich was imprisoned on March 12, 1957. Since early 1957, as well as previous thereto, Wilhelm Reich, [redacted], [redacted] and other members of Reich's staff hav directed voluminous correspondence to the Bureau, to various Bureau divisions, an other United States Government agencies and officials. None of the material review at the Bureau has indicated any violations within the investigative jurisdiction of thi Bureau.

It is noted that Dr. [redacted]) was recently interviewed by Special Agents of the Richmond Office assigned to the Alexandria, Virginia, Resident Agency at which time she furnished information in essence comparable with that set forth in her letter to [redacted] She also indicated at that time that she had addressed similar information to the office of United States Senator Margaret Chase Smith and had contacted Assistant United States Attorney General William Tompkins. At that time [redacted] a naturalized citizen of the United States, also made certain derogatory comments relating to justice

cc - Richmond, with enclosure (SEND BY REGISTERED MAIL)
cc - Norfolk (SEND BY REGISTERED MAIL)

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and government administration in the United States, representing possible admissions against interest. This information was furnished by the Bureau to Assistant Attorney General Tompkins and the Director of the Immigration and Naturalization Service.

In view of the above information and in the absence of any indication that matters related by [redacted] in her letter to [redacted] are withi the Bureau's jurisdiction, Richmond should disregard the lead set out in the last paragraph of referenced Cincinnati letter.

There is enclosed herewith for the Richmond Office an Autostat of Eva Reich's letter to Leonard Stringfield, Cincinnati, Ohio, dated March 19, 1957. In view of [redacted] vague threatened use of force (set forth in the last paragraph of her letter to [redacted] Richmond Division should promptly make this information available to appropriate local officials in Alexandria, Virginia.

FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (62-83894)   DATE: 4/12/57

FROM : SAC, Cincinnati (100-11671)

SUBJECT: CIVILIAN RESEARCH,
INTERPLANETARY FLYING OBJECTS
[redacted]
Cincinnati 27, Ohio
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

O FLYING SAUCERS

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On March 25, 1957, [redacted] OHIO appeared at the Cincinnati Office for the purpose of calling attention to a letter dated March 19, 1957, which he had received from [redacted]

For the information of the Bureau and the Norfolk Office, Mr. [redacted] is presently the Advertising Manager for [redacted] Cincinnati, Ohio. According to [redacted] he has been interested in flying discs or objects for a number of years and has cooperated with the United States Air Force to the extent of furnishing the Air Force with any information on flying objects coming to his attention. Mr. [redacted] was also the publisher of a paper called the [redacted]", which carried the following heading: [redacted] was a monthly publication which carried information and intelligence research by [redacted] on flying objects. According to [redacted] the [redacted] had a limited circulation.

In connection with Dr. [redacted] letter, [redacted] stated that prior to the receipt of the letter he received a long distance telephone call from Dr. [redacted] on March 12, 1957. This call was received by him in the early morning prior to his departure for work. He related that Dr. [redacted] was a subscriber to the [redacted] and that during the phone conversation she made reference to some of his reports which he had published in the [redacted] and for the most part spoke on matters that were "over his head" and things that he did not understand. According to [redacted] she concluded the conversation by stating she would write him a letter, which letter was the reason for his call on the FBI.

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2 - Bureau (62-83894)(RM) (Enclosures - 2)
2 - Norfolk (RM)(Enclosure - 1)
2 - Cincinnati (100-11671)
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Mr. [redacted] furnished the letter to this office but desired the same be returned to him and it should be noted tha Dr. [redacted] speaks of [redacted] testifying before some Congression committee in connection with flying saucers and his publication. She further speaks of events designated "OROP Desert Ea" which [redacted] knows nothing about.

In the first paragraph of page 2 in speaking of the above event, she makes reference that there is evidence for espionage against this work and later adds that the FBI so far has declined to investigate as the subject is "not within their jurisdiction". It is further noted that she also speaks of the evidence of the "orgone energy motor", which [redacted] has no knowledge of. Dr. [redacted] mentions a number of people as being former members on the staff of the expedition "OROP Desert Ea".

For the information of the Bureau and Norfolk, persons mentioned by Dr. [redacted] in her letter have been checked through the Cincinnati indices with negative results.

There are attached hereto two autostatic copies of Dr. [redacted] letter to Mr. [redacted] dated March 19, 1957, for the Bureau, and one copy for the Norfolk Office. The Norfolk Office is requested to check their indices on Dr. [redacted] and furnish the Bureau with any identifiable data concerning her and persons mentioned in her letter of March 19, 1957. This office is returning the original to Mr. [redacted] and is not maintaining a copy of the same in this office.

[redacted]
Cincinnati, 27, O

March 19, 1957

Dear Mr [redacted]

This letter is to confirm and elaborate the contents of our telephone conversation on March 12, 1957. At that time I called you on my own initiative, acting as a planetary and U.S. citizen, who was a witness to a series of facts and events designated "OROP Desert Ea". It was my aim to find out whether you would be willing to testify about the facts known to you concerning UFO sighting reports made by the civilian public in the USA and elsewhere, which as Editor of [redacted] you have collected and filed over several years. I also wanted to know whether under oath you would reveal what you know in your official capacity as former USAF Intelligence officer (This informatio about you was gleaned from Edward J. Ruppelt's book "The UFO Story"). I finally based my call on the title of your publication "The official Publication of [redacted]" as distinguished from the mystics who dabble in the unknown.

I informed you that staffmembers of Expedition Orop Desert Ea, Arizona, 1954-1955 had lodged a charge of treason, fraud, perjury and conspiracy against certain government officials through the office of Senator Margaret Chase Smith on March 1, 1957. That these men had obstructed vital civilian research on the space problem, and have now apparently succeeded in their treacherous attack through defrauding the US court as to the nature of the work carried on during Expedition Orop Desert Ea; the discoverer of Life Energy, Dr. [redacted] being consequently imprisoned on March 12, 1957. The staff members of Expedition Orop Desert Ea wish to stress that in making their charges they are acting strictly on their own, on the basis of the respective facts known to each one. An investigation by the United States Congress has therefore bee requested by us, concerning the underlying facts in this unique scandal. What has to be opened up is the entire field of UFO phenomena, the Undue Secrecy by Airforce headquarters, and the suppression of public news concernin the subject. Evidence points to the existence of a widespread conspiracy of those who want to maintain the status quo of the present world view, the atomic-mechanistic empty space hypothesis, the THEY in the background who want to kill all new knowledge by criminal means. Our evidence shows that "they are in control of apparently all branches of the government. I feel personall unsure whether there exists at this point any bona fide honest constitutional government. After the events of March 11, 1957 the constitution is dead, law a rational order has failed. I am basing this statement on the fact that in sp
Open of the evidence on court record the sentence against the Discovery of the Life Energy was executed. For reference you have to go to the nearest US District Court where you will find Volume V Record Appendix to Briefs for Appellants, Case No. 5160, Supreme court Number 688, Secret and Suppressed Evidence, Orop Desert Ea, 1954-1955. The Title of the Report is "Contact with Space", Oranur, Second Report, 1951 - 1956, By Wilhelm Reich. Dr. Reich was found guilty of Contempt of Court for disobeying an UNLAWFUL and Fraudulently obtained order against his work (1954) and for stating at trial that he had to continue wit work for reasons of national security.

We, the staff members of this expedition are factual witnesses to some a of the work such as a Oranur experiment, Orur (Denatured Nuclear material - in other words "Atoms for Peace") , the Cloud-buster, Cloudbuster plus Orur o "Spacegun", Disabled Ea (Epsylon alpha Dr. Reich's designation of Space craf

Conferences with ATIC, notification of government officials in responsible positi
Conferences with CIA; DOR clouds and effects, DOR removal (Smog socalled, also appears as smoky substance subsequent to UFO sightings as you know); DOR as Deadly Orgone Energy ; Orene ; Oranur Weather control ; Rainmaking, also over Deserts, Hurricane dissipation; Transportation of Orur including "queering of Radar", ; Breakdown (Hemiplegia) of spacegun operator while drawing from Ea, And many further detailed aspects of OROP Desert Ea work such as the "energetic modes found experimentally", etc., etc.... There is no shortage of facts, observations, and evidence. But the Truth has so far not yet been heard, which is all it needs to win.

Furthermore there is evidence for espionage against this work : Tapped radio, opened mail etc. Since to date UFO's are officially "nonexistent" The FBI has sofar declined to investigate as the subject is "not within their Jurisdiction". I am personally witness to the fact of the existence of the Orgone Energy Motor, and letters, documents, etc., describing the mysterious disappearance of one William Washington who came into possession of much knowledge concerning "orgonometry, mathematical, and the Motor principle and who has disappeared since 1949. I am sure any investigating agency could locate his whereabouts in a short time. It is clear that the powerful Oil interests in this country are out to keep their predominance in the field of power and income, and are involved in keeping the Orgone Energy Motor problem suppressed.

These points are mentioned to give you a hint how necessary a bona fide, courageous, forthright investigation has become. I am appending a bibliography for your convenience where you may find some of the printed evidence for our charges.

If no investigation is forthcoming within a reasonably short time we are forced to use force;- to use the scientific power of the Energy which we have learnt to trigger (storms, floods etc.)

Sincerely yours

[redacted]
Alexandria, Va
[redacted]

Other [redacted]
[redacted]

PS Since it will take me a day or two to prepare reference list, it will follow and is not enclosed, as stated in letter.

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (62-83894)

DATE: 4/18/57

FROM : SAC, Norfolk

SUBJECT: CIVILIAN RESEARCH SAUCERS
INTERPLANETARY FLYING OBJECTS
[redacted] Cincinnati 27, Ohio
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

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Re Cincinnati letter to Bureau 4/12/57, copies for Norfolk, requesting Norfolk check indices regarding [redacted] (Mrs. [redacted] [redacted], Alexandria, Va.

Inasmuch as Alexandria, Va., is covered by the Richmond Office, both copies of relet designated for Norfolk, as well as enclosure, are being forwarded to Richmond for appropriate handling. Norfolk indices negative re Dr. [redacted]

1 ② - Bureau
1 - Cincinnati (100-11671) (Info.)
2 - Richmond (1 Encl.) (REGISTERED MAIL)
1 - Norfolk
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Tolson

DATE: March 15, 1957

FROM : L. B. Nichols

SUBJECT: [redacted] GREAT MEADOWS, NEW JERSEY

Title
unidentified "flying object"
Great Meadows, New Jersey
March 12, 1957 [redacted]
[redacted] Informant - Wire - Info Concerning

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For record purposes, [redacted] (Great Meadows, New Jersey, telephone [redacted] telephoned from his home at 12:52 p.m., March 14, 1957, while I was tied up on another matter, and talked with Wick. [redacted] age 56, is one of the original founders of [redacted], was [redacted] employed by Louis de Rochemont on our movie, "House on 92nd Street," and he formerly was editor of [redacted]" He married [redacted], whom he says is known to the Director. He has one arm.

MYS [redacted]

[redacted] said, to make a long story short, that he has run into a situation which has to do with an unidentified flying object observed two days ago in the Great Meadows vicinity. [redacted] said he had made a formal report in writing to military authorities, as well as to two civilian groups interested in the affair. General Wedemeyer is connected with one of the latter groups. [redacted] said he is not satisfied that the "intelligence" he supplied to the military is being handled properly, nor does he know to whom he should submit information and in what fashion. He said frankly he wanted an Agent to call upon him so that the Agent could evaluate his information, although he said he well knew "flying saucers," etc., were not within the scope of the FBI's interest nor jurisdiction.

(The attached news ticker from United Press reflects that in testimony before a House Appropriations Subcommittee, 2-19-57, Dr. Hugh Dryden, Director of the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics, had flatly stated there is no such thing as a flying saucer. It was said too that the Air Force or some other authority should nail down the unidentified "flying objects" and "say it is pure fiction.")

ACTION TAKEN:

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While normally we would simply tell a caller that we have no jurisdiction and that he should refer such matter to the proper military

cc: Mr. Boardman
cc: Mr. Belmont

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authorities, in this instance, because of [redacted] demonstrated friendliness to the Bureau and the Director, his sane and reasonable approach to matters and his apparent concern for the welfare of our country, I instructed Wick to have the Newark Office have an Agent when in the vicinity of Great Meado simply drop by Mr. [redacted] home to see what he has in mind.

ASAC Commons of the Newark Office told Wick he would have an Agent drop by to see [redacted] and would send a letter to the Bureau coverin results.

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Mr. ~~Nichols~~
Mr. Boardman
Mr. Belmont
Mr. Mohr
Mr. Parsons
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tamm
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Mr. Holloman
Miss Gandy

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(FLYING SAUCERS)

THE DIRECTOR OF THE GOVERNMENT'S TOP AIR RESEARCH AGENCY HAS TOLD CONGRESS FLATLY THAT THERE IS NO SUCH THING AS A FLYING SAUCER.

THE ASSURANCE CAME FROM DR. HUGH L. DRYDEN, DIRECTOR OF THE NATIONA ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR AERONAUTICS, AT A CLOSED-DOOR HEARING BY A HOUS APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE.

THE TESTIMONY, TAKEN ON FEB. 19, WAS MADE PUBLIC TODAY.

DRYDEN AND OTHER NACA OFFICIALS INCLUDING GEN. JAMES A. DOOLITTLE, THE AGENCY CHAIRMAN WERE QUESTIONED ABOUT A REPORT PUBLISHED IN GERMANY THAT THE NAZIS DEVELOPED SHORTLY BEFORE THE END OF WORLD WAR II A 138-FOOT SAUCER THAT ROSE TO 40,000 FEET AND FLEW AT A SPEED OF 1,250 MILES AN HOUR.

"THERE IS NO TRUTH IN THAT STATEMENT," DRYDEN SAID. "THIS IS AN ADVERTISEMENT FOR A BOOK..."

REP. ALBERT THOMAS (D-TEX.), SUBCOMMITTEE CHAIRMAN, PRESSING FOR A MORE CONCLUSIVE STATEMENT, ASKED:

"IS THERE NO SUCH THING AS A FLYING SAUCER, AND THE GERMANS DIDN'T HAVE IT IN 1945 AND DON'T HAVE IT YET?"

"THAT IS RIGHT," SAID DRYDEN.

DRYDEN ALSO DENIED A RELATED CLAIM THAT THE NAZIS HAD PERFECTED A BOMBER THAT COULD HIT THE U.S. AND RETURN WITHOUT REFUELING.

"YOU HAVE TO DISTINGUISH HARDWARE FROM IDEAS," DRYDEN EXPLAINED.

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DOOLITTLE ALSO DISCOUNTED THE PUBLISHED ACCOUNT OF THE SAUCER AND INTERCONTINENTAL BOMBER, WARNING HOWEVER THAT BACKERS OF THE BOOK PROBABLY WOULD USE THE DENIALS ZAS ANOTHER LEG UP" TO PUBLICIZE IT.

IN REFERENCE TO FREQUENTLY PUBLISHED "SIGHTINGS" OF WHAT OFFICIALLY ARE CALLED "UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS" THOMAS SAID THE AIR FORCE, OR SOME OTHER AUTHORITY, "OUGHT TO, ONCE AND FOR ALL, NAIL IT DOWN AND SAY IT IS PURE FICTION."

HE SAID THE AIR FORCE HAD "HEMMED AND HAWED" ON THE ISSUE, APPARENTL A REFERENCE TO THE 1955 AIR FORCE REPORT THAT IT HAD INVESTIGATED 5,000 REPORTED SIGHTINGS AND FOUND "NO EVIDENCE" OF THE EXISTENCE OF SAUCERS.

THIS WASN'T QUITE THE SAME THING AS SAYING THE SAUCERS DID NOT EXIST, AS DRYDEN NOW HAS ASSERTED.

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Mr. Hagan Parrish
Sheriff of Polk County
Post Office Box 631
Bartow, Florida

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My dear Sheriff:

Your letter dated February 8, 1957, has been received, and I want to thank you for bringing the enclosed material to our attention.

Since the contents of your communication are of primary concern to another governmental agency, I am taking the liberty of forwarding a copy of your letter and a copy of its enclosure to the Director of Special Investigations, The Inspector General, Department of the Air Force, Building Tempo E, Fourth and Adams Drive, Southwest, Washington, D. C.

Sincerely yours,

COMM – FBI

John Edgar Hoover
Director

cc - Seattle, with copy of incoming and copy of its enclosure
Re Richmond letter 1-11-57 captioned "Aerial Phenomena Research Group, Miscellaneous Information Concerning."

NOTE: Bufiles reflect that a citizen in Richmond, Virginia, received a similar letter earlier this year from the Aerial Phenomena Research Group of the same type forwarded by correspondent. OSI at Langley Field, Virginia, made a copy of it available to the Bureau. (62-83894-372) No other pertinent references located. Copies of incoming and its enclosure sent to OSI by form.

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HAGAN PARRISH
SHERIFF

COUNTY OF POLK
STATE OF FLORIDA
BARTOW, FLORIDA

CHAMP ROGERS, CHIEF
CRIMINAL DIVISION
WINTER HAVEN, CY 3-0052

BRUCE ALBRITTON, CHIEF
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FT. MEADE, AT 4-3955

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OFFICE 3-7011 · JAIL 3-7171

REPLY REF.

February 8, 1957.

Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

I am enclosing herewith a bulletin received at this office on February 5, 1957, for your evaluation.

Assuring you of our complete cooperation at all times, I am

Sincerely,

Hagan Parrish

HAGAN PARRISH, SHERIFF

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Enc.

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Aerial Phenomena Research Group

Seattle, Washington

Headquarters:
5108 Findlay Street

Bob Gribble
Executive Director

Dear Sir:

Several reports of unidentified flying objects seen over cities in your section of the country since ______________________ have recently arrived at our office. We would appreciate names and addresses of witnesses reporting unidentified flying objects or other aerial phenomenon to your office during this period. All names and addresses will be held strictly confidential, to be used only when contacting the witness for information regarding their experience.

We are a national organization whose objectives are to investigate and determine the nature of unidentified flying objects and related phenomena. Any information you can give us pertaining to this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Thanking you in advance, I am

Sincerely yours

____
Director of Investigations

[illegible]
2-15-5[illegible]

United States Department of Justice
Federal Bureau of Investigation
501 Southern States Bldg.
Richmond, Virginia
January 11, 1957

District Commander
21st District
Office of Special Investigations
Langley Air Force Base, Virginia

RE: **AERIAL PHENOMENON RESEARCH GROUP MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING**

Dear Sir:

Mrs. [redacted] Richmond, Virginia, advised this office on January 2, 1957, that she had received a letter from captioned organization requesting she furnish any information she might have relative to her alleged observation of a "flying saucer" a year or so ago near Richmond, Virginia. Mrs. [redacted] informed she is employed by the Richmond Quartermaster Depot of the United States Army and it was while on her way to work one morning that she had sighted the object in question. She stated that several other women employees of the Depot were present and subsequently one of these women had told a newspaper reporter about the incident and all their names had appeared in the papers. b7c b7c

Mrs. [redacted] advised that she was reluctant to answer the letter as she felt it could be an illegal or subversive group who was trying to obtain information they should not have. She pointed out that she knew nothing about the organization but the correspondence did not reflect the group was connected with the United States Government in any way. b7c

She informed that the letter indicated the group was a national organization whose duty it was to investigate any and all unusual aerial phenomenon. It also reflected that one Bob Gribble was the Executive Director and Jim Ewart was the Director of Investigations. The address for this organization was shown to be 5108 Finlay Street, Seattle, Washington.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 1/11/57

FROM : SAC, RICHMOND (62-779)

SUBJECT: AERIAL PHENOMENON RESEARCH GROUP [illegible] St. Seattle, Wash.
MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING
Flying Saucers

Attached are two copies of a letter to the District Commander of OSI at Langley Field, Va., which are being forwarded to the Bureau for information.

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Stamford, Conn.
October 5, 1956

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Director of F.B.I.
Washington, D.C.

Flying Saucers.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Enclosed is a copy of a Lecture sent to me from Detroit. I think it is the most fascinating Research ever made.

In your busy life you may not have encountered it, so I thought I would send you a copy.

Why doesn't the Government come out with the truth about Unidentified Flying Objects?

Everybody seems to accept the "Saucers" as a matter of course and

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A number of clergymen feel that the time has come for someone to answer intelligently and sincerely the public's inquiries! They have gone to "The Book" — the Sacred Bible where man can always find the answers to all his needs, doubts, fears — and inquiries!

I have heard many people say that you probably have all the answers — but I suppose you have been throttled too!

I'm so glad you refused to accept the invitation to run for President. You would have been a good one — (if you could be let alone) — but sordid Party politics would have engulfed you too much.

To the Legions of your admirers you stand too High — are too clean in [illegible] to be [illegible] so involved.

Thanks to Almighty God there are Character Influences like you still standing on the same firm ground of Our Forefathers.

Each day now a few more chips are knocked off the pillars of Learning, High morals, decent behavior and honest standards. Where can it all end? The days are becoming Wearisome and fearful; surely the repercussions are shaking the outer walls of even Our Father's House.

I wonder what the God of Our Fathers is going to do about it?

With deepest respect,

[redacted] [redacted]

TRU COPY

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With deepest respect,

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October 12, 1956

Miss [redacted]
Stamford, Connecticut

Dear [redacted]

Your letter of October 5, 1956, with enclosure, has been received.

I want to thank you for the interest which prompted your writing and for your very kind words concerning my administration of this Bureau.

The information contained in your letter and the enclosure does not fall within the investigative jurisdiction of the FBI, and I am taking the liberty of forwarding a copy of your letter, as well as a copy of the enclosure, to the Director, Office of Special Investigations, The Inspector General, Department of the Air Force, The Pentagon, Washington 25, D. C.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Copy of incoming and enclosure sent by form to The Inspector General, Department of the Air Force.

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District Commander

January 11, 1957

The above data is being furnished for your information, it being noted that the files of this office contain no reference to this organization.

Very truly yours,

W. G. GRAPP
Special Agent in Charge

1 - Boardman
1 - Belmont
1 - Sanders
1 - Liaison

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BY COURIER SERVICE

November 15, 1957

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Mr. J. Patrick Coyne
National Security Council
Executive Office Building
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Pat:

Reference is made to my letter of November 8, 1957, furnishing information supplied by [redacted] concerning an unidentified flying object which he observed in 1944 while in Germany.

Attached is a copy of a memorandum which reflects the details of the interview with [redacted]. A copy of the memorandum has also been furnished to each of the agencies receiving a copy of this letter, listed below, as a matter of interest to those agencies.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Enclosure

1 NOV 18

1 - Office of Special Investigations
Air Force

1 - Director
Central Intelligence Agency

Attention: Deputy Director, Plans

1 - Assistant Chief of Staff, Intelligence
Department of the Army

Attention: Chief, Security Division

MAIL ROOM ☐

"WHIRLING WHEELS"

(A Correlation of Flying Saucers and
Visitors from other Planets in The Bible)

by: Reverend [redacted]

"Flying Saucers" have made the headlines off and on for many months no
Much has been written about them. Research has shown that "flying cha
riots" and strange powers, both of locomotion and destruction, are des
cribed in the holy books of various heathen faiths many thousands of
years older than our own. "Flying Chariots" have been seen and report
and not believed for many ages. That is nothing new. But what is new
is that recently they have been photographed.

Having established the factuality of the "flying saucer", it is now a-
bout time that we find a theological confirmation of the whole matter.
This is a necessity! If "flying saucers" inhabit outer-space, and if
they have some kind of celestial character, they should have some plac
in the total economy of God. They should have more place in our think
ing and planning, and one would expect them to be mentioned in our own
holy books, too. We are therefore not surprised, upon investigation,
to find "flying" clouds, rolls, chariots, wheels and people, mentioned
in the Bible. To realize this, is to make a great many mysterious
things in the Bible seem both matter-of-fact and encouraging!

The ancients, it is true, had no adequate words to describe the thing
they saw in their day which came from outer space. If a thing flew,
was called a "flying" cloud, bird, chariot or angel. We, today, shoul
have progressed far enough scientifically to call objects from outer-
space by names which are more appropriate. But the unhappy term "fly
saucer" is a term more reminiscent of a tea-party than of the man-worl
of science. It seems our own nomenclature, or is it our imagination,
very inadequate also. However, the possibility and probability of rea
izing unheard of sources of power and speeds, and the conquering of
space is to us but a matter of time.

To understand our own holy book we must replace outworn mythological t
minology of yester-year with the most adequate scientific terminology
today. The heaven of yesterday we call "space" today! It can be noth
ing else. The angels of yesterday are the "space-men" of today. An
angel was an inhabitant of space. They came from other worlds. If
there are any inhabitants of outer space, we today would call them "sp
men". The "flying" clouds, horses, or chariots of scripture we call
"flying saucers" or "space ships". With a clarification of but these
three terms, many things now fall into place quite naturally.

Angels or "space-men" have been seen. They've walked on earth. We re
way back in the Old Testament, "Two angels (or space-men) came to Sodo
in the evening. When Lot saw them he rose to meet them, and bowed him
self with his face to the ground". He spoke to them and offered them
hospitality. They did him a favor too. They saved his life! For the
two space-men subsequently led an attack on Sodom and Gomorrah and de-
stroyed it with "brimstone and fire out of heaven (space)" (Gen. 19).

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Daniel (Dan. 9:21) calls the angel Gabriel, a man. He describes thi space-man as coming to him in "swift flight at the time of the eveni sacrifice", and he also describes the interview which followed. Num ous incidents are mentioned in scripture of space-men landing on ear and contacting earth-men, usually bringing to them an important mess About three hundred such incidents can be listed! They brought help well as destruction, these men from outer-space or heaven.

I believe that we should take these observations more matter-of-fact We are not dealing with mythology here. A literal understanding of these incidents in modern thought-patterns brings astonishing clarit to all. Our religion should become more materialistic in order to c form with scripture, and not vice-versa as our clerics and others ha been telling us for so long. We have practically and mistakenly spi tualized religion out of existence, and thus caused the great divorc between science and religion. True science is true religion.

These angels or space-men pilot some sort of vehicle. One of these space-men, described as a "mighty one" (Rev. 10), "came down out of heaven (space) wrapped in a cloud". Let us call symbolical language and oriental imagery by their right names. To be "wrapped in a clou means to be surrounded by an object. In other words, this space-man was piloting a space-ship. How else could the observers of that day have described this phenomenon? That "flying" clouds don't refer to real clouds we see from the quotation, "Who are those that fly like cloud?" (Isa. 60). The following literal description of a supposed flying-cloud ought to decide the matter. "A stormy wind came out of the north, and a great cloud, with brightness round about it, and fi flashing forth continually, and in the midst of the fire, as it were gleaming bronze. And from the midst of it came the likeness of four living creatures (spacemen)" (Ezk. 1).

The space-man mentioned above had a "rainbow over his head", namely vari-colored lights shone from a canopy over his head which shall be described later. Light "like the sun" came from this space-ship, an its "legs", no doubt landing-gear, were "like pillars of fire". The whole earth was lit up by the power of the light given off by this space-ship (Rev. 18:1).

Besides describing these "space-ships" as "flying" clouds, they are also described as a "flying roll" (Zech. 5:1), in other words "sauce or "cigar" shaped. An approximate size estimated by an observer of that century who had no knowledge of perspective or distance, is included in this description. They are also described as a "flying se pent" (Isa. 14:29 - 30:6), referring no doubt to the long trail of fire left by the space-ship's exhaust.

However, the clearest, most prominent, most detailed, and most appro priate name given these flying-ships or space-ships, and one which w would well adopt as the most scientific is, "WHIRLING WHEELS", as th reporter Ezekiel calls them (Ezk. 1). This reporter now gives the m detailed description of the so-called "flying saucer" in existence t day - many details of which have been verified by modern observers a some even caught by camera.

"Now as I looked at the living creatures (space-men) I saw a wheel the earth (the space-ship had evidently landed), one for each of th four of them (four space-ships in all). The appearance of the whee was like the gleaming of a chrysolite (transparent or translucent o green). Their construction being as it were a wheel within a wheel they had spokes and rims (recent observations and pictures have ver this description of an outer rim and an inner wheel, etc.). And wh the living creatures (space-men) rose from the earth, the wheels ro for the spirit of the living creatures was in the wheels".

The last sentence is extremely interesting. The reporter claims th
when the space-men rose the wheels rose with them. That is exactly
what a person of an unmechanical age would say. Men can move, but
an object. So they described the men as carrying the ships with th
We, of course would say the opposite, namely that the wheels or spa
ships carried the space-men.

The "whirling wheels" are described as "full of eyes", in other wor
full of round openings, port-holes, or power outlets, "all around a
within". This description again tallies with observations and phot
graphs made recently.

The space-ships are described as "darting to and fro, like the flas
of lightning" (Ezk. 1). "When they went they went in any of their
four directions without turning as they went. In whatever directio
the front wheel (or ship) faced, the others followed without turnin
as they went". Besides describing their unbelievable maneuverabili
"without turning", this also seems to claim that they flew in forma
tion, following a leader (also see Ezk. 10:9).

The fuel or power for these space-ships is found in the middle of t
space-ship. It is described as "fire between the whirling wheels"
(Ezk. 16:6). "In the midst there was something that looked like bu
ing coals of fire, like torches moving to and fro, and the fire was
bright, and out of the fire went forth lightning" (Ezk. 1).

And now there follows a detail which is the very acme of veracity.
"Over the head of the living creatures (space-men) there was the li
ness of a firmament (the protective canopy over a pilot's head) shi
ing like crystal (transparent glass), spread out above their heads"
(Ezk. 1). This "glass globe" has also been observed on the "flying
saucers" of today and photographed. It also seems that flying orde
are given by remote control via radio or wireless. A voice is said
to come "from above the firmament (canopy) over their heads". It i
also claimed by this biblical reporter that part of these space-shi
is collapsible and other parts retractable. The latter is perhaps
the central turret which will be described later.

In flight these "whirling wheels" give off music (Rev. 4:8). This
phenomenon has been reported in the holy books of other faiths much
older than our own. "It's like the sound of many waters, like the
thunder of the Almighty, a sound of tumult like the sounds of a hos
(Ezk. 1:24 - 3:13). The word "host" is important to keep in mind b
cause it refers no doubt to the great number of these space-ships f
ing together. The insignia which seems to be on the outer surface
the space-whips are recognizable as a cherub (a humorous or should
say "human" touch), the face of a man, a lion, and an eagle (Ezk. 1
These space-ships are given orders to patrol the earth, "Go and pat
the earth" (Zech. 6).

On the basis of what we have learned, certain events in scripture n
are understandable and acceptable. Enoch, it is reported, went to
another world without dying (Heb. 11:5), as perhaps Moses did also.
Jacob thought he had a vision when he saw "a ladder set up on the
earth and beheld angels or space-men, ascending and descending on i
(Gen. 28). The ladder obviously was let down from a space-ship for
some purpose or other. Space-men had a particular interest in Jaco
it seems, for on a later occasion he wrestled with one of them, the
space-man only playing with Jacob until it was time for the space-m
to go, whereupon he partially paralyzed Jacob (Gen. 32). It is int
esting to note that space-men usually appear around sunset, during
night, or at sunrise. Through some whirl-wind-like action Elijah d
appeared into space via a "flying chariot" (II Kings 2:11). Moses

and Elijah came to meet Jesus on the Mount of Transfiguration via "a bright cloud". We know what these "clouds" were. The "cloud" disappeared with them again. The poor man in Luke 16, was carried by space-men into another world. Do space-men carry away into heaven or space the "souls" of the dead? A woman in Rev. 12, was given unusual locomotive powers to escape her enemy. These instances can be multiplied hundreds of times !!

Even God's activities now become clearer! God's presence in scripture is described "like birds hovering" (Isa. 31:5). The hovering is a hovering of some flying object. "Clouds" are called His chariot, with them comes the wind, fire and flame (Ps. 104). One reads of "a swift cloud" (Isa. 19:1), in other words a space-ship. Note the following description: "Then the earth reeled and rocked: the foundations also of the mountains trembled and quaked, because He was angry. Smoke went up from His nostrils, and devouring fire from His mouth: glowing coals flamed forth from Him. He bowed the heavens and came down. Thick darkness was under His feet. He rode on a cherub and flew. He came swiftly upon the wings of the wind" (Ps. 18). We have discussed these signs above. They describe a space-ship, although the observer here, in not seeing the pilot, describes the space-ship as though it were a person. Perhaps in this case this space-ship might be God's own private space-ship or the so-called "mother" ship. Why should we deny God the right to make a machine and use it too, if He wants to?

God's presence with Israel in the desert was via a "pillar of cloud" in the day and by night a "pillar of fire"; the fire of course would not be visible in the sky by day (Exo. 13). Out of this cloud God harassed the Egyptians. In Isa. 66, it is reported "for behold the Lord will come in fire and His chariots like the storm-wind with flames of fire". And again, "His chariots are like the whirlwind" (Jer. 4:13). Psalms 68:17, claims that God lived on Mount Sinai for a while with 20,000 chariots. Big "clouds" settled on Mount Sinai with "fire" and "smoke" for forty days. Moses was given the tablets of the law on this mountain, through the intervention of space-men, as Paul tells us. Sinai seems to have been God's headquarters for a certain maneuver at this time. Space-men with their ships always seem to be present when God's people are in danger. Even a difficult passage like "And the 'glory' of the Lord went up from the midst of the city and stood upon the mountain" (Ezk. 11:23), now becomes clear. It means that the ships took off from the middle of the city, the take-off place, and then landed on a mountain.

Neither should we forget that God is called the Lord of "Sabbaoth" in the Bible, which means the Lord of "hosts" or "armies" - real armies, space-armies. This name "the Lord of hosts", is the most used name for God in the Bible. He is the God of war. This title is used hundreds of times together with the complementary phrase "hosts of heaven", or hosts of space. Jacob once saw the whole assembled army. We read, "The angels (space-men) of God met him and when Jacob saw them he said, 'This is God's army'." (Gen. 32). These hosts were at one time an object of worship by earth-men. It seems that God often came down out of heaven or space to earth to fulfill His plans and to carry out certain campaigns.

When the space-ships were stationary and when the central turret was raised, they looked like thrones, and are so-called in scripture. "His throne was fiery flames, its wheels were burning fire, a stream of fire issued and came forth from before Him" (Dan. 7:9). No ordinary thrones these, but space-ships! In Rev. 4, we have a unique description of the "mother" ship and twenty-four others on a landing-field which looked like a "sea of glass-like crystal", and from them all came flashes of lightning, voices and peals of thunder".

The life, of Jesus, now too, becomes clearer when these things are remembered. His powers of levitation, His ability to pass through doors, walk on water, and heal the sick, are the essential attributes of men from outer space. They will also be ours someday when we will be "free like birds" (Ezk. 13:20). At Jesus' birth the celestial army came quite close to earth. A space-man appeared to the shepherds and the "glory" of the Lord, with the usual signs of His presence, shone around them. There was a multitude of the heavenly army with this space-man. And after their cosmic announcement, the music of their space-ships was heard as they again disappeared into space.

Jesus' ascension is described as "a cloud (or space-ship) received Him out of their sight" (Acts 1:9). His coming again is to be in the same manner. "Then will appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven (space) coming on the clouds (space-ships) of heaven (space) with power and great glory" (Matt. 24:30 - Rev. 14). He will come with His whole army and will then take over the destiny of the world. Jesus comes then, conquering and to conquer; a King of kings, and Lord of lords. This time He summons the twelve legions of space-men, which He refused to summon at the time of His betrayal. He will appear on a white "horse" or space-ship, "shooting flames of fire", leading a whole fleet of space-ships, from whose mouths issue sharp swords", no doubt blasts of destructive energy. He signals all the "birds that fly in mid-heaven" (all the sky-ships in space) to the cosmic conflict, with the words, "Come gather.", and the world will be destroyed by God's black fleet described below.

The rumbling space-ships leap on top of the mountains to await the signal for the attack (Joel 2:5). That day will be a day of darkness and gloom and of hydrogen and cobalt clouds. "Like blackness there is spread upon the mountains a great and powerful people, their like has never been from of old nor will be again. Fire devours before them, and behind them a flame burns. The land is like the Garden of Eden before them, but after them a desolate wilderness".

Earth-men who have pleased God in the meantime, will "ascend up into space in a space-ship in the sight of their foes" (Rev. 11). Paul puts it this way, "We will be caught up together with them in the clouds (space-ships) to meet the Lord in the air" (I Thess. 4:17). In this manner a remnant of earth-men will literally be rescued or saved..... For what?

For the "Father's house in which are many rooms", or as some translators put it, "stopping-places", "resting-stations" or "filling-stations if you wish, or the way to outer-space and beyond. All the planets and universes in outer space are there for a good and glorious purpose. They are not just dead dust. They are the planets on which these space men live, and we too will someday live.

This clear understanding of things as they are and as they will be, is for our comfort. We should always remember that God's people are alway protected by a circle of space-ships. "We are surrounded by sp great a cloud of witnesses", we read in Heb. 12. The whole heavenly host once came out to protect but one man, Elijah (II Kings 6:17). "Behold the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire". And Elijah was save or rescued right from under the noses of a whole city full of enemies.

God's word to us knowing all this is: "Fear not, for those who are wit us are more than those who are with them!" ... May our prayer be, --

"O, Lord, open our eyes that we may see."
(II Kings 6:17)

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TYPOGRAPHICAL ERRORS

Pg. 2 - paragraph 3 - line 10 - should read "ought to decide".
Pg. 3 - paragraph 7 - line 13 - should read "into space via".
Pg. 4 - paragraph 4 - line 10 - should read "Paul tells us".

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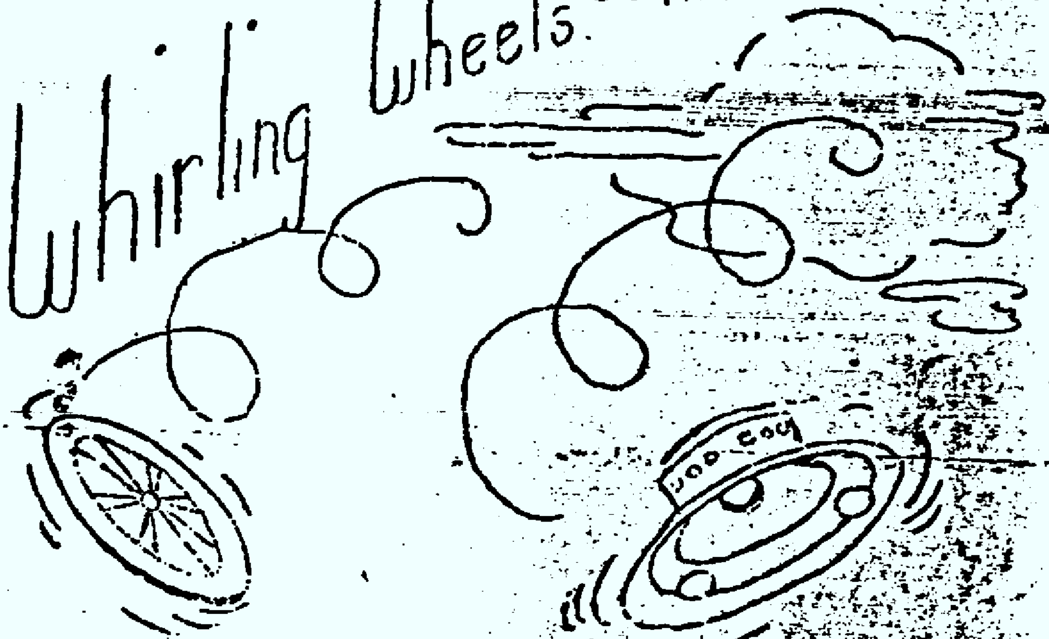

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BY COURIER SERVICE

Date: September 20, 1956

To: Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
Building Tempo E
4th and Adams Drive, S.W.
Washington, D. C.

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: THE A.P.R.O. BULLETIN
1712 VAN COURT
ALAMOGORDO, NEW MEXICO
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

Flying Saucers

On August 31, 1956, [redacted] Street, St. Louis, Missouri, who is employed as an electrician, [redacted] furnished the St. Louis Office of this Bureau with information that he and a group of his fellow workers have subscribed to a publication captioned "The A.P.R.O. Bulletin," which contains articles about flying saucers. [redacted] advised he answered an advertisement in a magazine and subscribed to this publication for one year, at a cost of $3.00. [redacted] further advised that in his opinion, the publication slurred and criticized the U. S. Air Force and official of the U. S. Air Force.

No action is contemplated in this matter by this Bureau.

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NOTE ON YELLOW:

Bureau files are negative concerning captioned publication and in view of the fact that it deals with flying saucers and the established policy has been to refer matters of this type to the Air Force, no further action is deemed necessary.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 9/7/56

FROM : SAC, ST. LOUIS (62-0)

SUBJECT: THE A.P.R.O. BULLETIN,
1712 Van Court,
Alamogordo, New Mexico
MISCELLANEOUS

[redacted]

On August 31, 1956, [redacted] Street, St. Louis, Missouri, employed as an electrician, [redacted], St. Louis County, [redacted] appeared at the St. Louis Office to advise that he and a group of fellow workers have subscribed to a publication entitled "The A.P.R.O. Bulletin", which is published at 1712 Van Court, Alamogordo, New Mexico, and which contains articles about flying saucers.

[redacted] stated he and a group of fellow workers saw an advertisement concerning the above described publication in a magazine and they subscribed to this publication for one year at a cost of $3.00. [redacted] further stated this publication slurred and criticized the U. S. Air Force and officials of the U. S. Air Force and was in his opinion Communistic.

A copy of this communication is being forwarded the Albuquerque Office for purposes of information.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI DATE: 8/15/56

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-24442)

SUBJECT: [redacted]
FLYING SAUCER

The following is being furnished to the Bureau for its information in the event an inquiry should be received from the Air Force:

On 8/14/56, Lt. [redacted] and Sgt. [redacted], 4602nd Air Intelligence Service Squadron, Norton AFB, San Bernardino, California, called at this office, accompanied by Captain [redacted] of the Air Information Service.

Lt. [redacted] stated he had received a teletype from his headquarters, reflecting that [redacted] [redacted] Street, Van Nuys, California, had reported that on 7/16/56, a spherical vehicle had landed in his back yard, splitting a large tree in two. On 7/30/56, this vehicle returned and on this occasion some little green men emerged from the vehicle and invited [redacted] to ride in their ship. He supposedly went up with them for approximately 20 minutes.

Lt. [redacted] stated he had no additional information except that [redacted] was believed to be employed in some minor technical capacity for the Columbia Broadcasting System.

Captain [redacted] stated he recalled that the incident reported by [redacted] was presented on a CBS television newscast about the time it occurred, and that during the telecast, the split tree was shown, and an interview was had with [redacted]. According to Captin [redacted] the tenor of the comments by the television announ was that he placed little credence in the story, but was presenting it for what it was worth.

Lt. [redacted] stated that he believes the incident reported by [redacted] to be utterly ridiculous, but, in accordance with instructions from his headquarters, he must make some inquiry concer [redacted] in such a manner as not to result in any publicity indicat an Air Force interest. He inquired if the FBI would conduct investi

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gation to obtain information concerning the background of [redacted] and was advised that no such investigation would be conducted by this office in the absence of instructions from the Bureau.

No record of [redacted] is reflected in the indices of the Los Angeles Office and [redacted] was so advised.

No action by this office is contemplated.

cc Washburg
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BY COURIER SERVICE

Date: May 11, 1956

To: Director of Special Investigations (orig. & 1)
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
Building Tempo E
4th and Adams Drive, S. W.
Washington, D. C.

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: FLYING DISC OBSERVED
OXFORD, PENNSYLVANIA
MAY 4, 1956
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING (ESPIONAGE)

At 11:35 p.m., May 4, 1956, an individual who identified himself as [redacted] [redacted] Oxford, Pennsylvania, advised this Bureau he had just observed at Oxford, Pennsylvania, a bright light traveling about 2,000 feet in the air toward Baltimore, Maryland. He described the object as a solid, bright yellow light visible from all directions and that it was twice as bright and twice as large as the headlight of an automobile. He also described it as twice as bright as the evening star. He was unable to described it in more detail. He stated the object made no noise, that at first its speed was the same as the car he was driving but it sped up and although he was driving 80 miles an hour he was unable to keep up with it. He advised that two of his friends, [redacted] also had observed the object.

At 2:45 p.m., May 5, 1956, the above-referred-to individual advised his true name and address were [redacted] [redacted] Kenneth Square, Pennsylvania.

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Letter to Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force

The above information was telephonically furnished to Captain [redacted] of your office by this Bureau on May 4 and May 5, 1956, for whatever action deemed desirable by your office. No action is contemplated in this matter by this Bureau.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : A. H. Belmont

DATE: 5-5-56

FROM : [redacted]

SUBJECT: FLYING DISC OBSERVED
OXFORD, PENNSYLVANIA
May 4, 1956

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Reference made to memorandum Mr. [redacted] to Mr. Belmont, May 4, 1956, indicating [redacted] Oxford, Pennsylvania, called at 11:35 p.m., May 4, 1956, concerning a bright light he [redacted] had observed traveling toward Baltimore at an altitude of approximately 2,000 feet.

This same individual telephonically advised the writer 2:45 p.m., May 5, 1956, his true name is [redacted] and that his true residence is [redacted] Kenneth Square, Pennsylvania. [redacted] desired to know the results of any investigation conducted as the result of his previous call. It was pointed out to him that the Bureau was not at liberty to disclose such information.

Bureau indices on [redacted] limited to Pennsylvania, were searched with negative results.

At 3:35 p.m., May 5, 1956, Captain [redacted] OSI, was telephonically advised at his residence.

ACTION: This is for your information.

cc Belmont
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO Mr. A. H. Belmont

DATE: May 4, 1956

FROM Mr. [redacted]

SUBJECT: FLYING DISC OBSERVED
OXFORD, PENNSYLVANIA
MAY 4, 1956

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Mr. [redacted] Oxford, Pennsylvania, telephone [redacted], called 11:35 p.m., May 4, 1956, and advised that he had just observed a bright light traveling about 2000 feet in the air toward Baltimore. He last saw it at the place he was calling the Bureau from which was [redacted] Oxford, Pennsylvania. He described the object as a solid, bright, yellow light, visible from all directions which he described at one point as being more than twice as bright and twice as big as the headlight of an automobile and another time as twice as bright as the evening star and it was impossible to persuade him to describe it more specifically. He said the object made no noise and that at first it was traveling overhead about as fast as his automobile but then it speeded up and he could not keep up with it although he was traveling at 80 miles per hour. He said that two of his buddies in the barroom where he had first observed the object had also observed it--[redacted] and [redacted] He said he had tried to call Civil Defense headquarters in Baltimore but no one was on duty. Bufiles reflect no information identifiable with [redacted]

ACTION:

Captain [redacted] OSI, was advised.

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BY COURIER SERVICE

Date: April 16, 1956

To: Director of Special Investigations (Original & 1)
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
Building Tempo E
4th and Adams Drive, S. W.
Washington, D. C.

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: SIGHTING OF OBJECT RESEMBLING
FLYING SAUCER ON APRIL 6, 1956,
NEAR HENDERSON, NORTH CAROLINA
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING
(ESPIONAGE)

On April 6, 1956, Miss [redacted] an employee of this Bureau who resides at [redacted] Alexandria, Virginia, while en route to Norven, North Carolina, via automobile, with her fiance, Mr. [redacted] observed an unusual object which appeared to resemble a flying saucer.

Miss [redacted] stated at about 5 A.M., on April 6, 1956, while it was still dark and while driving on Route 1 north of Henderson, North Carolina, she and Mr. [redacted] were startled by what appeared to be an oval-shaped, low-flying object coming directly towards their car at a great speed, on the driver's side. Miss [redacted] stated the object, which was less than 25 feet from the ground, appeared to be spinning, was bright as though containing a series of lights in a zigzagging pattern, was light blue in color and was at least as wide as the highway and no more than from two to four feet in thickness. She stated the object did not change shape, it made no sound and that she observed it for only a few seconds before it appeared to pass over the car, accelerate speed and veer off out of sight behind them. Miss Richards advised when daylight came she noticed it was cloudy and that approximately 30 minutes after they had sighted the object it began to rain.

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Miss [redacted] advised Mr. [redacted] an employee of the [redacted] who resides at [redacted] North Arlington, Virginia, would recall approximately where they sighted the object and he may be able to furnish additional pertinent information.

The above is furnished for your information and no further action is being taken in this matter.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. NICHOLS

DATE: 4-10-56

FROM : [redacted]

[redacted]

SUBJECT: [redacted]

Flying Saucers

Miss [redacted] on 4/9/56 reported the following rather unusual occurrence which is in the "Flying Saucer" category. [redacted]

On 4/5/56 Miss [redacted] left Washington by car with her fiance, [redacted] (employee of [redacted] to go to Morven, North Carolina to meet the [redacted] family. Around 5 a.m. on 4/6/56 as dawn was breaking and while driving on Route 1 north of Henderson, North Carolina, the pair was startled by what appeared to be a round low-flying object coming directly towards the car. The object appeared to pass over the car and Miss [redacted] turned to see it appear to speed up and then veer off out of sight. She and Mr. [redacted] both felt they had seen something unusual which was difficult to explain and certainly did not appear to be an optical illusion.

Miss [redacted] stated the object as she saw it appeared round, was spinning and was bright as though containing a series of lights in a zig-zag pattern. The object appeared to be flying very low as it came towards them, moving at great speed and gave off no particular sound. The object, to the best of her belief, was at least as wide as the highway and appeared no more than two to four feet in thickness.

Miss [redacted] who is one of our best employees, stated heretofore she has placed little credence in "flying saucer" stories and felt that had she and her boyfriend not seen the same object she would be inclined to think she had imagined something. She appreciates that what they saw may have been some kind of optical illusion; however, at the time the object appeared very real to them.

RECOMMENDATION:

If you agree, it is recommended that this memorandum be referred to the Liaison Section of the Domestic Intelligence Division for possible referral to any interested military agencies.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : L. V. Boardman

FROM : A. H. Belmont

SUBJECT: [redacted]

DATE: April 13, 1956

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On April 9, 1956, [redacted] was interviewed concerning her sighting of an unusual object about dawn April 6, 1956, while driving on Route 1 near Henderson, North Carolina, with her fiance, [redacted] Jr., an employee of the [redacted] She was interviewed for additional details in this matter on April 12, 1956, by Supervisor [redacted]

Miss [redacted] reviewed memorandum dated April 10, 1956, from [redacted] to Mr. Nichols prior to being questioned for any other details which might be of assistance to the Air Force in this matter. She advised she had seen the object for only a few second that it was still dark when she observed it, although it was near daylight on April 6, 1956. She stated when daylight came she observed the sky to be cloudy and it started raining approximately 30 minutes after she had observed the object. She recalled the object had approached their car on the driver's side from straight ahead at a height which she thought to be less than 25 feet. She was unable to estimate the speed of the object. She described it as being oval shaped, being very bright and having a light blue color. It made no sound that she could hear. She advised her fiance would be able to state exactly where they had observed the object in North Carolina, inasmuch as he was familiar with that area. She was unable to recall any additional pertinent information.

ACTION:

There is enclosed a letter to the Office of Special Investigations in this matter.

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February 21, 1956

[redacted]
Springfield 5, Massachusetts

Dear Richard:

Your letter dated February 12, 1956, has been received, and I sincerely appreciate the interest prompting you to write.

I wish to advise that no matter such as you described was ever reported to the FBI.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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MR. BRANIGAN

Sunday Feb 12,1956.
Springfield 9, Massachusetts.

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:-

I know that you are a very busy man but do you suppose that you could enlighten me on the following subject.

My name is [redacted] and I am 15 years of age and am a student at Technical High School here in Springfield, Massachusetts.

Recently I became very interested in one of the most amazing dramas of our time, the phenomena of the flying saucers. In a book which I have just read, entitled "flying saucers uncensored" written by Harold T. Wilkins, the author tells of many cases and sightings of flying saucers which correspondents around the world have sent him. One story which he received from a correspondent in California, tells the story of two men who supposedly came from Venus and went to a Los Angeles journalist in March 1953. These men did strange things which made someone so suspicious that he supposedly contacted the F.B.I., which is supposed to have sent an investigator to find out what was going on, but in some strange way the Venusians by using telepathic power or some strange faculty of prevision did not return to the office again. It was said that the F.B.I. was never able to find them for questioning.

I wonder if this story is true, and if you were really notified. I know of you were notified you couldn't tell me anyting about the incident, but I am very curious.

Could you possibly tell me if you were notified and if the story is true.

I would appreciate hearing from you.

Yours truly,

[redacted]

[redacted]
Springfield 9, Massachusetts.

[redacted] [redacted]

HOTEL Gralynn

GRALYNN

MIAMI, FLORIDA

NC

Please Excuse pencil

Dear Mr. Hoover – [redacted]

[redacted]

I am writing to you with an urgent request since my previous letters to the President have been ignored.

FLYING SAUCERS

Despite all the ridicule regarding Flying Saucers – they are real – & although their source and intentions are incredible – W [illegible] threat is our country, and all countries.

I have promised that if the Government would send 4 to [illegible] men be [illegible] – [illegible] with good peripheral vision and the ability to follow

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[illegible] ections and plenty of ability to [illegible] during the time the money and [illegible] I [illegible] guarantee each and everyone will see something that will prove Saucers and more are real and attacking us, via [illegible] so-called "weather".

They never replied. No one will even check my story — yet it comes with a guarantee.

What more can I do? If I get excited they'll think I'm having "visions". As it, I'm merely "having hallucinations". [illegible]

I guarantee, anyone who has the above mentioned qualities can also have my hallucinations.

[redacted] [redacted]

HOTEL Gralynn

GRALYNN

MIAMI, FLORIDA

You have exactly the shaped eyes best suited to using this equipment — and your nose is shaped right too! Strangely enough, this matters! Even how eyes are spaced matters! Please don't get I.B.C. watchers with large open-end eyes, widely spaced. Or bridge nose. Patience and persistence will be necessary too.

If you can get some quicksilver bring that along too! Or tin.

I have a great deal of respect for the F.B.I. — I know it's terrific at finding the men they want. Will they do a switch —

and the F.B.I. men find the
Saucers I want?

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On the [illegible]
Get your telescopes [illegible]
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Enjoy the Show
[illegible] this world.

[illegible] Yours — how's
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the witness and reports of our
F.B.I.?

Sincerely,
[redacted] (S.L.F.Y.) [redacted]

[redacted] [redacted]

HOTEL Gralynn

GRALYNN

MIAMI, FLORIDA

Mr. Hoover — would *you* please help me? Can you have some F.B.I. men watch?

Starting July 26th, during the entire time the moon is out, I need qualified watchers whose sanity is unquestioned. The *same* men must keep watch, so that they can begin to comprehend the various techniques and activities of the "Saucers *and* worse."

Supply them with the following equipment so *you'll* know it's no trick!

Vanity (with lipstick & mineral powder puff) case — in black plastic [illegible] glass (fake) carrying, black satin red lined container — Bloomingdale's Dept. Store N.Y.C. You will need your F.B.O. chief here — The manufacturers have gone out of business! (The lipstick case is empty. About $15 —) It does not have [illegible] quality —

1 Combination magnifying glass, magnifying mirror, compass, fire [illegible] from [illegible], N.Y.C. about $3.00.

[illegible] save you a very cheap souvenir [illegible]. If they don't buy one. You'll need it. Don't buy a gold telescope! It only magnifies glass. —

Optional — any kind of gold metal — [illegible] Tubes, etc. Old foil.

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

27-0-718

Honorable J. Edgar Hoover
Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington 25, D. C.

Received from OSI
[illegible]

ATTN: Mr. Daniel J. Sullivan
Liaison Agent

RE: CHARLES A. YOST
OC Research Laboratory
St. Clair Shores, Michigan

Dear Sir:

Attached are copies of a letter recently forwarded to this office by the Director of Special Investigations, Alaskan Air Command. In addition to the address in captioned subject, the letter reflects a return address of the 18th Cml. Tech. Intel. Det., 100th Cml. Grp., Fort McClellan, Alabama.

APR 22 1955

The original letter was furnished by Major William H. Greenhalgh, Jr., Commander, 5004th Air Intelligence Service Squadron, Elmendorf AFB, APO 942, Seattle, Washington. Major Greenhalgh advised that the letter was turned over to Flight A of his organization by Doctor Kennidy, DDS, Nome, Alaska. Major Greenhalgh identified Dr. Kennidy as a private pilot who has in the past been the source of several reports to this organization. Dr. Kennidy reported that the letter was found in a book which he had loaned to Mr. Small over a year ago and which was recently returned.

ALASKA

Flying Saucers

Major Greenhalgh identified Mr. Small as a type-setter for the Nome Nugget, a newspaper which is published three times a week. [redacted]

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ENCL.

Major Greenhalgh advised that Mrs. Boucher, who is mentioned in the letter, publishes the Nome Nugget.

A search of the files of this office and the files of OSI, Alaskan Air Command, failed to locate information pertinent to the persons mentioned in the attached letter.

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AGENCY [illegible] Detroit
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Ltr to FBI, File 27-0-718, RE: CHARLES A. YOST, OC Research Laboratory, St. Clair Shores, Michigan (Cont)

The attached letter is furnished for your information and any action deemed necessary.

Sincerely,

Lyle D Lutton Jr

LYLE D. LUTTON, JR, Lt Colonel, USAF
Asst Chief, Counter Intelligence Div
Directorate of Special Investigations
The Inspector General

1 Incl (in dup)
Photostat, Ltr fr Yost
to Small dtd 14 Nov 54

cc: Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2
Department of the Army
w/incl (in dup)

14 November, 1953
18th Cml.Tech.Intel.Det.
100th Cml.Grp.
Fort McClellan, Alabama

Dear Mr. Small,

Your letter was received Nov. 12, 1953. Thank you very much for replying and offering your aid. We also wish to thank Mrs. Boucher.

As you will notice my address has changed. Until further notice it will be as shown in the upper right hand corner.

At the present time our research activities are being kept secret. However, at a time in the future when we have no need to use this security measure, I will personally write and inform you of what we were and possibly are doing. Our research does have a connection with the "flying saucer", although it is at present a secondary issue. The main body of our research is with electric fields. (It is not a "copy" of what Keyhoe mentioned in his recent book relating to the Canadian Project. The research with which we are concered has been carried on for many years now by a research foundation in Western United States which is not connected to us.) The "flying saucer" reports are of value to us because they may give clues toward the investigation of various phases in our research.

I have told you these things so that you might understand the need for our receiving saucer reports, also because you are no doubt curious about our activities. (Every once in a while I will inform you of our activity.) Because you and Mrs. Boucher are taking the time and trouble to help us - in turn, we wish to cooperate as best we can to in some way return the favor. So, do not hesitate in calling on us in the future.

Yours truly,
Charles A. Yost
Coordinator
OC Research Laboratory, in
St. Clair Shores, Michigan

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TI Mr. [redacted].

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JANUARY 18, 1955

SAC, DETROIT (65-2677) (Orig. & 1)

DETROIT FLYING SAUCER CLUB, ESPIONAGE - X. REURAIR-TEL 1-12-55.

INVESTIGATION RE SIGHTING OF FLYING SAUCERS AND INFORMATION CONCERNING FLYING SAUCERS IS WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE AIR FORCE AND NOT THE BUREAU. THE BUREAU DOES NOT DESIRE YOUR OFFICE TO OBTAIN FROM CAPTIONED CLUB OR ITS MEMBERS, MATERIAL CONCERNING FLYING SAUCERS. THE INFORMATION IN YOUR REFERENCED AIR-TEL AND INFORMATION CONCERNING MATERIAL REPORTEDLY IN POSSESSION OF CAPTIONED CLUB SHOULD BE REFERRED TO IN THE REPORT BEING PREPARED BY YOUR OFFICE. A COPY OF YOUR REPORT SHOULD BE FURNISHED TO OSI LOCALLY.

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Detroit rept rec'd
2/11/55 EHM

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O-1 to [redacted]
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Detroit rept rec'd
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O-1 to Det to advise when rept to be rec'd. EHM

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Transmit the following Teletype message to:

~~FBI, DETROIT~~ 1-12-55 AIRTEL

DIRECTOR, FBI (62-83894) AMSD [redacted]

DETROIT FLYING SAUCERS CLUB, ESPIONAGE-X. [redacted]

OAK PARK, MICH., EMPLOYED AS PARTNER, [redacted]

DETROIT, INTERVIEWED 1-11-55 IN BUREAU CAR IN VICINITY [redacted]

[redacted]. [redacted] DENIED MAKING ANY STATEMENT HE WAS WORKING WITH OR HAD ANY CONNECTION WITH FBI. HE CLAIMED SUCH ALLEGATION COULD HAVE ARISEN AS RESULT OF QUESTIONS ASKED DURING SOME MEETING AS TO WHETHER CLUB HAS FURNISHED INFORMATION TO FBI OR OTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCY. HE REPLIED HE OR THE CLUB WOULD BE WILLING TO COOPERATE WITH ANYONE AT ANY TIME. HE WAS CAUTIONED TO MAKE NO REPRESENTATION OR STATEMENT LEAVING THE IMPRESSION HE HAD ANY CONNECTION WITH FBI. AS TO REPORTING TO WASHINGTON, [redacted] SAID HE AND [redacted] [redacted], ANOTHER CLUB DIRECTOR, WERE GOING TO WASHINGTON, D.C. TO PRESENT THEIR INFORMATION "TO THE PENTAGON" AND THEY HOPED TO SEE "SOMEONE IN AIR FORCE INTELLIGENCE". [redacted] SAID THEY INTENDED TAKING WITH THEM SOMEONE, OR POSSIBLY TWO, WHO HAD ACTUALLY SIGHTED SAUCERS. IF THEY GET NO ONE TO GO THEY WILL GET AFFIDAVITS FROM SAUCER SIGHTERS. THEIR PURPOSE IN GOING IS TO FURNISH WHAT INFO THEY HAVE (THIS IS IN POSSESSION OF THE CLUB) ON FLYING SAUCERS, SIGHTING OF THEM IN AFFIDAVIT FORM, POSSIBLY

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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PHOTOGRAPHS AND TO OBTAIN WHAT INFO THEY CAN ON SAUCERS FROM THE GOVERNMENT. [redacted] CLAIMED HE KNEW OF NO INFO THEY HAD WHICH MIGHT EFFECT THE NATIONAL DEFENSE OR INTERNAL SECURITY OF THE U.S. HE CLAIMS ONE [redacted] [redacted] NEW MEXICO, HAS ACTUALLY FLOWN IN A SAUCER FROM SANDIA BASE TO NEW YORK CITY, THE ROUND TRIP REQUIRING ONLY 30 MINUTES. [redacted] SAID [redacted] WAS TO COME TO DETROIT IN THE FUTURE TO SPEAK. [redacted] CLAIMS SAUCER CLUBS HAVE ACTUALLY RECEIVED MESSAGES FROM OUTER SPACE AND ALTHOUGH SAYS HE DOES NOT KNOW, HE FEELS THEY DO EXIST; HAVE BEEN SEEN BY MANY PEOPLE AND CLAIMS HE HAS SEEN THEM HIMSELF. HE FEELS THE PURPOSE OF CONTACTS WITH EARTH IS LIMITED AT THIS TIME TO PREPARING PEOPLE TO RECEIVE LANDINGS FROM OUTER SPACE. HE SAID THE SAUCERS ARE FRIENDLY TO U. S. HE SAID MESSAGES RECEIVED INDICATE ALL PLANETS BUT EARTH HAVE CONQUERED OUTER SPACE. OUTER SPACE PEOPLE CONSIDER THOSE ON EARTH THE LOWEST FORM OF UNIVERSAL EXISTENCE. [redacted] IMPRESSED AGENTS AS BEING ONLY A LAYMAN (FORMERLY IN USAF, WW II) WHO HAS BEEN CARRIED BEYOND THE REALM OF SCIENTIFIC FACT INTO THAT OF POSSIBLE SCIENTIFIC FICTION. [redacted] CLAIMS THAT DR. [redacted] WHO WAS DISMISSED FOR HIS ACTIVITIES AND PREVIOUS PREDICTIONS OF GEOLOGIC UPHEAVALS WHICH WERE TO HAVE OCCURRED 12-21-54, WAS MISUNDERSTOOD BUT ALLOWED HIS THINKING TO DWELL TOO MUCH ON

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Special Agent in Charge

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Transmit the following Teletype message to:

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POSSIBILITIES OF FLYING SAUCERS AND OUTER SPACE. MUCH OF [redacted] STATEMENTS BEAR CLOSE RESEMBLANCE TO THE WRITINGS OF [redacted] [redacted], OAK PARK, ILLINOIS, MENTIONED IN DETROIT LETTER, 11-30-54. IT IS REQUESTED THE BUREAU ADVISE WHETHER ANY ATTEMPTS BE MADE BY DETROIT TO OBTAIN ANY OF THE MATERIAL MENTIONED BY [redacted] AS BEING IN POSSESSION OF THE FLYING SAUCER CLUB. THIS PROBABLY WOULD REQUIRE CONTACTS WITH OTHER OFFICERS OF THE CLUB, WHICH MIGHT BE UNDESIRABLE, PARTICULARLY DUE TO THE DOUBT EXISTING THAT THEY COULD BE CONTACTED ON A CONFIDENTIAL BASIS. REPORT FOLLOWS.

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Approved: ______________________ Sent ________ M Per ____
Special Agent in Charge

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JANUARY 7, 1955

SAC, DETROIT (65-2677) (original &

DETROIT FLYING SAUCER CLUB, ESPIONAGE - X. REURAIRTEL 1/5/55. BUREAU SEES NO REASON FOR YOUR OFFICE TO WAIT UNTIL 1/15/55, TO INTERVIEW [redacted] INTERVIEW HIM IMMEDIATELY UNLESS THERE IS SOME GOOD REASON TO THE CONTRARY IN WHICH CASE THE BUREAU SHOULD BE ADVISED. [redacted] SHOULD BE INTERVIEWED FOR THE PURPOSES SET FORTH IN YOUR REFERENCED AIRTEL.

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Mr. Tolson
Mr. Boardman
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Belmont
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Mohr
Mr. Parsons
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tamm
Mr. Sizoo
Mr. Winterrowd
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Mr. Holloman
Miss Gandy

Transmit the following Teletype message to:

FBI, DETROIT	1/5/55	PM EST
DIRECTOR, FBI (62-83894)	AIRTEL	AMSD

DETROIT FLYING SAUCERS CLUB, ESP-X. ONE [redacted] [redacted], [redacted] WHO IS A MEMBER OF ABOVE CLUB, ADVISED THAT [redacted], TWICE HAS STATED HE IS "WORKING IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE FBI AND HAS BEEN TOLD TO REPORT TO WASHINGTON, D.C. FOR A CONFERENCE." [redacted] REPORTEDLY SAID HE HAS BEEN INSTRUCTED TO BRING ANOTHER CLUB OFFICER, [redacted], WITH HIM. [redacted] ARE COUSINS. WHEN THE TIME CAME TO GO TO WASHINGTON, [redacted] SAID IT WAS IMPOSSIBLE FOR HIM TO GO AND THEY WOULD DO SO LATER. BOTH OF [redacted] STATEMENTS WERE MADE WITHIN PAST MONTH. THE DETROIT OFFICE IS PREPARING A REPORT SUITABLE FOR DISSEMINATION ON THIS CLUB. IMMEDIATELY AFTER 1/15/55, [redacted] WILL BE INTERVIEWED BY DETROIT REGARDING ABOVE STATEMENTS, REPRIMANDED AND CAUTIONED TO REFRAIN FROM SUCH IN THE FUTURE, UACB. A REPORT WILL THEN BE SUBMITTED.

MC INTIRE

END [illegible]

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RBS:JEP #5
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cc: MR. BELMONT
AND SUPERVISOR
DOM. INTEL. DIVISION

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Special Agent in Charge

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EX-130

[redacted]
Thousand Palms, California

Dear [redacted]

Your letter dated December 6, 1954, has been received.

Although I would like to be of service, information in FBI files is confidential and available for official use only. I would like to point out also that this Bureau is strictly a fact-finding agency and does not make evaluations or draw conclusions as to the character or integrity of any individual, publication or organization.

I know you will understand the reason for these rules and will not infer either that we do or that we do not have the information you desire.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

NOTE: "Aboard a Flying Saucer" is not identifiable in Bufiles. It is to be noted that correspondent did not furnish its author's name.

Per call to the Library of Congress "Aboard a Flying Saucer" was written by Truman Bethurum. In June, 1954, an inquiry was made by the Cincinnati Office concerning Bethurum and his flying disk lectures since that office had received a complaint similar to current correspondent's. (62-83894-342) No other references were located which might be identical with subject of current inquiry.

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DECEMBER , 1954

MR EDGAR HOOVER,
DEPT OF JUSTICE,
WASHINGTON, D.C.
DEAR MR HOOVER;

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I HAVE MET AND TALKED WITH THE MAN WHO WROTE THE BOOK, "ABOARD A FLYING SAUCER" HE SOUNDS SINCERE BUT I AM ALWAYS SCEPTICAL AND I HAVE BEEN WONDERING IF HE COULD BE TRYING TO PUT OVER ANY PROPAGANDA.

I AM PRESIDENT OF THE PALM SPRINGS REPUBLICAN CLUB, JUST BY WAY OF IDENTIFICATION, AND A NUMBER OF MY MEMBERS HEARD HIM AND WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW IF HE IS ALRIGHT.

ANYTHING YOU TELL ME WILL BE KEPT IN STRICTEST CONFIDENCE.

VERY TRULY YOURS,

[redacted]

[redacted]
CALIFORNIA

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNM

TO : Director, FBI DATE: 11/26/5

FROM : SAC, Phoenix (62-213)

SUBJECT: FLYING SAUCERS

Enclosed herewith are envelope and form letter received by the [redacted] and made [redacted] available to SA [redacted] f this office. It is noted the envelope bears return address of "Aerial Phenomena Investigator", 69 S Stamford Hill, London, England" and postmark "Stoke, Newington, 10/26/5

The form content with typewritten note bearing signature of one [redacted] who identifies himself as "Aerial Phenomena Investigator", seeks information regarding the sighting of any flying saucers. The inquiry is made by [redacted] "in order to bring my reports and filing system up to date it would be very much appreciated if you would kindly complete the enclosed form and return same to me".

The form calls for the following type data concerni any flying saucers observed: "Time of sighting, size, shape, composition, speed, altitude, direction, maneuv pattern, color, sound, length of time observed, sky conditions, visibility, direction of ground wind". Also a space is provided for name, age and address of party executing the form and a space for general remarks.

Information concerning receipt and content of the above form has been furnished OSI offices at Williams AFB and Luke AFB in the Phoenix area.

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Date: December 9, 1954

To: Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: FLYING SAUCERS

This Bureau's Office at Phoenix, Arizona, received from the [redacted] Arizona, a form letter which he received from [redacted] Hill, London, N. 16, England. The envelope containing the form letter was postmarked "Stoke, Newington, 10-26-54." The form letter with a typewritten note bearing the signature of [redacted], who identified himself as "Aerial Phenomena Investigator," seeks information regarding the sighting of flying saucers. [redacted] indicated that the purpose of his inquiry was "in order to bring my reports and filing system up to date it would be very much appreqiated if you would kindly complete the enclosed form and return same to me."

The form calls for the following type data concerning any flying saucers observed: "Time of sighting, size, shape, composition, speed, altitude, direction, maneuvre pattern, color, sound, length of time observed, sky conditions, visibility, direction of ground wind." On the form is provided a space for the name, age and address of the person executing the form and a space for general remarks.

[redacted] is unknown in the files of this Bureau. The above information has been furnished your Offices at Williams AFB and Luke AFB.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Nichols

DATE: July 26, 1955

FROM : [redacted]

SUBJECT: [redacted]
INFORMATION CONCERNING

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Correspondent submitted a six-page rambling and partly incoherent letter postmarked July 24, 1955, wherein she requests a number of "F. B. I. men" to assist her in watching for flying saucers which she claims are real. She remarks she has previously written letters to the President, but that they have been ignored. Bufiles reflect no record identifiable with correspondent.

RECOMMENDATION:

No acknowledgment of correspondent's letter in view of her apparent ~~and~~ disturbed condition.

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Re. Flying Saucers.

Dear Sir Madam,
In order to bring my Reports and filing system up to date it would be very much appreciated if you would kindly complete the enclosed form and return same to me.

Yours sincerely,

[redacted]

Shape ______________________

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Length of time observed ______________________

Sky conditions ______________________

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Direction of ground wind ______________________

Name, age, and address. ______________________

General remarks PLACE WHERE SEEN, ETC
& WITNESS

[redacted]

SAC, Detroit (65-2677) (original and one)   December 16, 1954

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Director, FBI (62-83894)

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DETROIT FLYING SAUCER CLUB
ESPIONAGE - X

Reurlet 11/30/54. You are instructed to forward to the Bureau a memorandum or report suitable for dissemination containing the pertinent information set forth in referenced letter, in order that it can be disseminated by the Bureau to OSI and to the Internal Security Division of the Department of Justice. In view of the facts set forth in referenced letter, no further investigation of this matter need be conducted by your office at this time.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum · UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: November 30, 1954

FROM : SAC, Detroit (65-2677)

Flying Saucers

SUBJECT: DETROIT FLYING SAUCER CLUB
ESPIONAGE - X

Reference is made to a letter from the Director, dated October 8, 1954, to [redacted] Detroit 15, Michigan, regarding the Detroit Flying Saucer Club.

The purpose of this letter is to set out for the information of the Bureau, the activities of Detroit Flying Saucer Club, as they are known. This is done chronologically.

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On May 18, 1954, Mrs. [redacted], advised that she had been attending meetings concerning flying saucers, rockets to the moon, etc., which she felt could be subversive. On May 27, 1954, [redacted] and [redacted], Detroit [redacted], advised that one GEORGE ADAMSKI, had talked in Detroit on flying saucers. They were alarmed at the nature of the remarks; such as "We are Americans, but"......and that we should reduce our arms and would blow ourselves up with the H-Bomb, because visitors from outer space were afraid we had started something that would get out of hand. Another lecturer in Detroit, was TRUMAN BETHURUM. The sponsors of these speakers were [redacted], [redacted] and [redacted] According to pamphlets furnished by GOODMAN, a "Flying Saucer Review Group" was to be formed. This was headed by [redacted], Ferndale, Michigan, who uses the pen name, [redacted]. He is editor, [redacted] Detroit. They advised that [redacted] was [redacted]

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On July 13, 1954, [redacted] advised that [redacted] was bringing to Detroit, someone who talked to people from Venus, Clarion, etc., who are more highly advanced than earth people. They advocated the Golden Rule as the only workable rule. A meeting was to be held on July 15, 1954. [redacted] also furnished a letter from one [redacted] [redacted], encouraging him in his interest in flying saucers. GOODMAN felt such an organization could use the flying saucer scare as political propaganda or from a psuodo-religious view. He said they opposed the atomic bomb and warfare.

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[redacted] advised she attended the July 15, 1954 meeting of the flying saucer group. The purpose was

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to organize a flying saucer club in Detroit. [redacted] was behind it. She said she first met him when he came in the store to buy books on flying saucers. An organizational letter was passed out at this meeting stating the purpose of the "Flying Saucer Club of Detroit" was:

1. Exchange ideas, and in general, become aware of the flying saucer picture.

2. Invite national "saucer" speakers to Detroit, and enlighten the public.

3. Spread information on flying saucers.

4. To engage in those aspects of "saucer" interests, especially appealing to each member, such as, astronomy, engineering, spiritual, curiosity, etc.

The temporary committee setting forth these aims were: [redacted]

GEORGE ADAMSKI introduced [redacted] Detroit, who reported seeing a flying saucer July 14, 1954, at 10:30 p.m.

[redacted] advised that the first official meeting of the Detroit Flying Saucer Club (DFSC) would be held August 19, 1954.

The Detroit Times of August 20, 1954, in an article on the August 19, 1954 meeting, said that "Scientists were wrong in discounting the flying saucer theory" and that the Club would act as a clearing house for local sightings, and submit reports to the Army test center, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton.

[redacted] advised that the August 19, 1954 meeting consisted mostly of people saying they had seen saucers. [redacted], an engineer, commented on each reported sighting. [redacted], an advertising man, and a [redacted] reported sightings.

[redacted], Farmington, Michigan, advised on September 29, 1954, that the officers of the DFSC, 6432 Cass Avenue, Detroit, were:

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He said the club was going to petition the President of the United States to make public all government information on flying saucers. He also stated that by letter, September 25, 1954, [redacted] advised him he was a group leader in the club, and his duties would be to keep up with latest developments and advise his group, the names of which he would receive from Miss [redacted]

The Detroit Free Press of September 29, 1954, said in an article that the DFSC met September 28, 1954, and DESMOND LESLIE, British flying saucer authority, spoke, stating that GEORGE ADAMSKI made contact two years ago with space people in a California desert.

Mr. [redacted] advised he received a letter September 30, 1954, from [redacted] [redacted], setting out the discussion group in the Farmington area as:

[redacted]

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He received a letter from her October 4, 1954, adding to the above list:

[redacted]

[redacted] on October 13, 1954, said that [redacted] asked him to call a meeting October 18, 1954. At this time, he said he felt he knew less about the club than anyone; but he thought it would make a good cover for subversive activities.

He advised the object of group discussions, according to MARXER, was:

1. To indoctrinate people to receive space people.
2. Mass landings in Detroit in October (not further explained.)

3. A saucer landed at 4:30 a.m., September 30, 1954, at Rotunda Drive and Southfield (Detroit) with strange greenish men in brown uniforms.

4. Unseen psychic forces (no further explanation.)

[redacted]

[redacted]

At this meeting, [redacted] said she was an athiest. The main discussion was about religion, science, and double talk, [redacted] said. Twenty such discussion groups exist. [redacted] said there would be landings in Detroit in October, but she could be wrong. Before the meeting started, [redacted] called, saying, she was not coming and was resigning.

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[redacted] said the purpose of this leaders meeting was to discuss how to handle issues arising in group meetings. These were:

1. Religious

2. Group representation to the Board of Directors of the club.

The group leaders are supposed to control discussion, and not offend any religious belief.

At this meeting, [redacted] a group leader, [redacted] [redacted] Detroit, said that [redacted] opposed group meetings because of accusations against them of subversive activities. An unidentified person said he did not think it true, but it was alleged one member of the Board of Directors was a Communist. [redacted] answered this by saying he would mention no names, but the accuser should see him about this, and the accused was not a Communist. He said fellow travellers could get in or infiltrate the club, but he was at a loss as to any way of controlling that. As a result of this meeting, [redacted] felt the group was either subversive, or a new religious group. He felt it all stems from ADAMSKI in California. He said one [redacted] [redacted] a flying saucer speaker, had moved to Detroit.

At this meeting, [redacted] said that had saucer landings occurred in Detroit, in October, the group leaders would have been first to know it. He said he reported to ADAMSKI the predictions of MARXER and ADAMSKI felt she should not predict more than 30 days in advance, and, even that was no good sometimes.

On November 4, 1954, [redacted] said [redacted] advised him another addition to his group was [redacted] [redacted], and also, [redacted] Farmington.

[redacted] said that on November 8, 1954, [redacted] advised him she was resigning from the Board of Directors of the Club as she had too many outside interests, and she had to eat. She said she was going to show the film, "The Day the Earth Stood Still", around Michigan, as a result of having met two men (not named). She said ADAMSKI, in California, was her God, even admitting his earthly faults.

[redacted] urnished this office on November 13, 1954, some literature put out by [redacted] East Lansing, Michigan, which [redacted] obtained at a flying saucer discussion or class. [redacted]'s material is in the form of a letter, with attachments to American editors and Publishers, stating he feels they should publish it. He claims messages are received by extra sensory perception from other planets, which are watching the earth. He said one Mrs. [redacted] Illinois, receives the messages, mostly as lessons for flying saucer clubs. He said she one day picked up her pencil, and it began to write for her in the form of these messages (apparently, it has been writing ever since). [redacted]'s letters to editors are dated August 30, 1954 and September 17, 1954. [redacted] writings are set out as recordings, all in 1954, from April to August 27, 1954. One dated April 24, 1954, captioned "Telepathy Our Common Means of Communication Dr. [redacted] of Lansing, Michigan". It says he was a physician and psychiatrist who suffered much, and was persecuted for his unorthodox lessons in mental disease. He seems to be the contact with outer space.

In his September 17, 1954 letter, [redacted] states an important date is December 21, 1954, with the center of activity being the midwest. There will be an earthquake, buildings will fall, Lake Michigan will rise in a wave extending to Lake Erie, and here and elsewhere, he describes how the entire world will change geologically.

On November 23, 1954, [redacted] called to advise he was going to do a story on the DFSC and their activities. He inquired whether the FBI was investigating the club, and was advised we could make no statement one way or another regarding the organization. It is not known the date his story will appear.

The Detroit Office has conducted no investigation of the DFSC, and has received its information from those indicated above, who are voluntarily furnishing it. No investigation of the club is contemplated at this time.

Detroit has no identifiable subversive information on the officers of the club or of [redacted]). [redacted] mentioned in the Director's letter of October 8, 1954, above, has already come to the attention of the Bureau. He first came to the attention of Detroit Office, in 1942. He then used the pen name [redacted], was considered a religious fanatic, wrote widely on religious subjects, was connected with "The Harbingers", a "Unity Movement" group in Kansas City, and claimed objection to combatant military service in World War II. He has not been the subject of an investigation by Detroit.

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[redacted]
Glengariff, County Cork
Ireland

Dear [redacted]

Your letter dated October 27, 1954, with enclosures, has just been received.

The thought prompting your writing me is very much appreciated, and I was interested in looking over the cuttings you forwarded.

Since your communication may be of concern to another governmental agency, I am taking the liberty of forwarding a copy of it and copies of the two articles you noted to the Director, Office of Special Investigations, The Inspector General, Department of the Air Force, The Pentagon, Washington 25, D. C.

I want to take this occasion to thank you for your kind expression of good wishes. I hope that my efforts will continue to merit your esteem.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

cc - Legal Attache, London, England, with copy of incoming, and copies of enclosures
cc - Foreign Liaison Desk

Copies of incoming and enclosures sent by form to the Office of Special Investigations, Department of the Air Force.

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Hon. J. Edgar Hoover
Washington D.C.

"Flying Saucers"

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing two articles for your attention. By a strange coincidence I read these two papers at the same time and then I suddenly remembered that when I was back "Home" that the papers carried many stories of "Flying Saucers" being seen in Oregon and Washington. It suddenly entered my mind that maybe there is a connection between

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"Flying Saucers (?) and shattered Windshields"

We do use water to wash all kinds of glass. I just couldn't ignore the thought so I'm passing it along for what its worth.

With every kind wish to you Mr Hoover, for your wonderful work.

Respectfully yours

(Mrs) [redacted]

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Sunday, October 17, 1954

ROME DAILY AMERICAN

Po Villagers See 'Saucer' Landing

ROVIGO, Italy, Oct. 16 (UP)—A shallow 20-foot crater and a scorched grove of popular trees in the marshlands of the Po river convinced the villagers of nearby Po Di Gnocca today that they really had seen a flying saucer.

Police said several score of the villagers watched the "saucer" go through its paces. They said the silver disc approached at great speed and then landed gently in the marshes a few miles away. After a short pause it rose perpendicularly into the air and sped away towards the east, they said.

Excited villages who rushed to the spot where the disc appeared to land found the 20-foot crater and the scorched popolar trees.

The "landing" was the most sensational of a new wave of flying saucer reports which is mystifying Italy. Reports of "discs" and "cigars" came from all over the peninsula despite Air Ministry assurances that no such objects have been registered on the ministry's radar network.

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ROME DAILY AMERICAN

Tuesday, September 28, 1954

Windshield 'Cancer' Epidemic Moving To Northern Italy

Mysterious windshield explosions in Italy have followed a "hurricane path" of shattering glass across th[illegible] yesterday appeared heading north. A United [illegible] its first startling[illegible] that sin[illegible] north Piedmont last [illegible] unexplainable car-windshield explosion have moved to Rome and then started north again, with the last case being noted one week ago at Modena, on the southern edge of the Po River valley.

In its wake the mystery has left sources of stunned motorists, many cut by glass, describing the phenomenon to puzzled authorities.

They were driving along, sober folk with nothing unusual visible before them, when suddenly—crash!

The "exploded" windshield splinters into a thousand pieces, crashing into their laps and often cutting the hands and face. More than once a serious crackup has been narrowly averted.

What causes it? No one seems to know. Italians call it "cancer of the windshield." In its course across Italy, the "disease," which first appeared to strike American motorists in northwest U.S., has spread from automobiles to include streetcars and houses.

It has occurred by day and night and seems unrelated to weather, speed or age of vehicle.

Following its June appearance in the Italian Piedmont, where it struck four cars in an area of a hundred miles, the epidemic moved east and south, hit Rome a week later. The phenomenon then moved north, blasting the front glass of a big red tourist bus in Genoa.

Latest case, still further north, was the literal explosion of the windshield glass of Dr. Martino Farinetti at Modena. Dr. Farinetti, en route to a clinic, was cut in the face and momentarily lost control of the car. Attemping to brake to a stop, he spun around and nearly went over in a ditch.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (62-83894)

DATE: 11/22/54

FROM : SAC, Cincinnati (100-11671)

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Flying Saucers

SUBJECT: CIVILIAN RESEARCH,
INTERPLANETARY FLYING OBJECTS
LEONARD H. STRINGFIELD, Director
7017 Britton Avenue
Cincinnati 27, Ohio
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Rebulet dated 11/12/54.

Attached is a memorandum containing the pertinent information contained in mylet of 11/2/54.

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CIVILIAN RESEARCH,
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LEONARD H. STRINGFIELD,
Director,
7017 Britton Avenue
Cincinnati 27, Ohio

A source of unknown reliability, an acquaintance of LEONARD H. STRINGFIELD who is the Director of the captioned organization Civilian Research, Interplanetary Flying Objects, in October, 1954 advised that STRINGFIELD created this organization due to his intense interest in flying saucers. This source advised that STRINGFIELD is the Director of the organization and is assisted by his wife, and that STRINGFIELD writes and publishes monthly the multi-lithographed "Newsletter" of the organization. He uses the "Newsletter" to report news pertaining to the sightings of flying saucers and he claims the "Newsletter" now has a world-wide circulation of about 4,000 copies. The "Newsletter" sells at the subscription price of $2.00 per year.

The same source furnished a copy of the "Newsletter" dated October 1, 1954, which issue is designated Volume 1, Number 7, and carries the address Post Office Box 1855 (Cincinnati, Ohio). This issue identifies LEONARD H. STRINGFIELD, address as captioned above, as the Director of the organization and reports that he had a private talk with Lieutenant Colonel JOHN O'HARA, Deputy Commander, Intelligence, United States Air Force, on September 21, 1954, and that in essence Colonel O'HARA told STRINGFIELD that flying saucers do exist and that past contradictions were unfortunate.

It is noted that the final edition of the Cincinnati "Times Star", a newspaper of general circulation in Cincinnati, Ohio, in its issue of September 28, 1954 on Page 25, carried an article entitled "Saucers, No Myth, Says Researcher". This article refers to the

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October 1, 1954 issue of the "Newsletter", supra, and also reports on STRINGFIELD's interview with Lieutenant Colonel JOHN O'MARA, Deputy Commander, Air Force Intelligence, Wright Field (Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio).

The same source also reported that STRINGFIELD regularly communicates with FRANK EDWARDS, former A. F. of L. radio news commentator, on the subject of saucers and that, according to STRINGFIELD, EDWARDS is also intensely interested in saucers. EDWARDS recently warned STRINGFIELD to be very careful or the Air Force would stop STRINGFIELD's publishing activities. This source further reported that STRINGFIELD maintains that the U. S. Air Force was responsible for EDWARDS being fired by the A. F. of L. as its radio news commentator because EDWARDS used his program to publicize his (EDWARDS') saucer interest.

This source further advised that STRINGFIELD has stated in his "Newsletter" and also personally that the U. S. Air Force maintains a strict censorship of news pertaining to saucers, that the Air Force has several thousand saucer scientists working on a research project and that any military personnel working on the project are subject to immediate court-martial if they reveal any facts about it.

It was also related by this source that STRINGFIELD has stated that he believes his home telephone is being monitored, presumably by the Air Force, and that he therefore, makes his phone calls to Lieutenant Colonel O'MARA at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base and to FRANK EDWARDS from his office at the DuBois Company, Inc., 1120 West Front Street, Cincinnati 3, Ohio, where he is employed as the Advertising Manager. This source was of the opinion that STRINGFIELD is now afraid to proceed too much for fear the U. S. Air Force will in some way stop his operations and that EDWARDS' warning to STRINGFIELD came after STRINGFIELD had issued the October 1, 1954 "Newsletter" concerning his talk with Colonel O'MARA. At the same time, this source continued, STRINGFIELD in talking about the possibility that the U. S. Air Force might stop his operations, made a statement to the effect, "The Air Force can't do anything to me. I'm claiming saucers are interplanetary."

This informant advised that although he had no facts to suggest this possibility, the possibility had occurred to him that the real purpose of the above organization might be to gather bits of information about a very secret U. S. Air Force Development Project.

SAC, Cincinnati (100-New) November 12, 1954

Director, FBI (62-83894)

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LEONARD H. STRINGFIELD, Director,
7017 Britton Avenue
Cincinnati 27, Ohio
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You are instructed to forward to the Bureau by November 26, 1954, a memorandum suitable for dissemination containing the pertinent information in your referenced letter in order that it can be disseminated by the Bureau to OSI headquarters and to the Department. Copies of the enclosures forwarded to the Bureau with your referenced let will be furnished to OSI and to the Department by the Bureau as enclosures to the memorandum being prepared by you.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 11/2/54

FROM : SAC, Cincinnati (100-new)

Flying Saucers

SUBJECT: CIVILIAN RESEARCH,
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LEONARD H. STRINGFIELD, Director,
7017 Britton Avenue
Cincinnati 27, Ohio
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Remylets to the Bureau dated 6/8/54 and 7/22/54 captioned, [redacted]

Attached for the Bureau's information is the 10/1/54 "Newsletter" of the Civilian Research, Interplanetary Flying Objects, designated Vol. I No. 7, which has the address P. O. Box 1855 (Cincinnati, Ohio), and which identifies LEONARD H. STRINGFIELD, 7017 Britton Avenue, Cincinnati 27, Ohio, as the director of the organization. On the first page of this "Newsletter" STRINGFIELD reports that he had a private talk with Lt. Colonel JOHN O'MARA, Deputy Commander, Intelligence, U. S. Air Force, on 9/21/54 and that in essence Colonel O'MARA had told STRINGFIELD that flying saucers do exist and that past contradictions were unfortunate.

There is also enclosed a newspaper clipping from the Cincinnati Times Star dated 9/28/54, entitled, "Saucers" No Myth, Says Researcher. This article refers to the "Newsletter" enclosed and also reports on the interview of STRINGFIELD with Lt. Colonel JOHN O'MARA, Deputy Commander, Air Force Intelligence, Wright Field.

In addition, there is enclosed a second clipping, this being from the Cincinnati Post of October 11, 1954, entitled, See 'Em?---Saucers Cover City. This article reflects that several persons in Cincinnati had cited flying saucers and had reported them to LEONARD H. STRINGFIELD.

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The "Newsletter" and the two newspaper clippings were forwarded to this office by [redacted]

He advised that the advertising manager of this company is LEONARD H. STRINGFIELD who is intensely interested in flying saucers and has created the Civilian Research, Interplanetary Flying Objects organization. He advised that STRINGFIELD is director of this organization and is assisted by his wife, that he writes and publishes monthly the multi-lithographed "Newsletter," and that he claims that the publication now has a world-wide circulation of about 4,000 copies at a subscription price of $2.00 per year.

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STRINGFIELD has also stated to [redacted] that he believes his home telephone is being monitored, presumably by the Air Force, and that he makes phone calls to Wright-Patterson Air Force Intelligence Officer JOHN O'MARA and to

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[redacted] advised that he was furnishing the foregoing information because he thought that possibly the real purpose of the Civilian Research, Interplanetary Flying Objects organization might be to gather bits of information about a very secret U. S. Air Force Development Project.

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(CIVILIAN RESEARCH, INTERPLANETARY FLYING OBJECTS)

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The foregoing is for the Bureau's information and this office is advising OSI, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base of the substance of the information in this letter and that no further action is being taken. [redacted]

The files of this office reflect that [redacted] voluntarily appeared at this office in December, 1951, and furnished a piece of literature which he had found at the University of Cincinnati. At that time he had no information as to subversive activities and no further contact was made with him.

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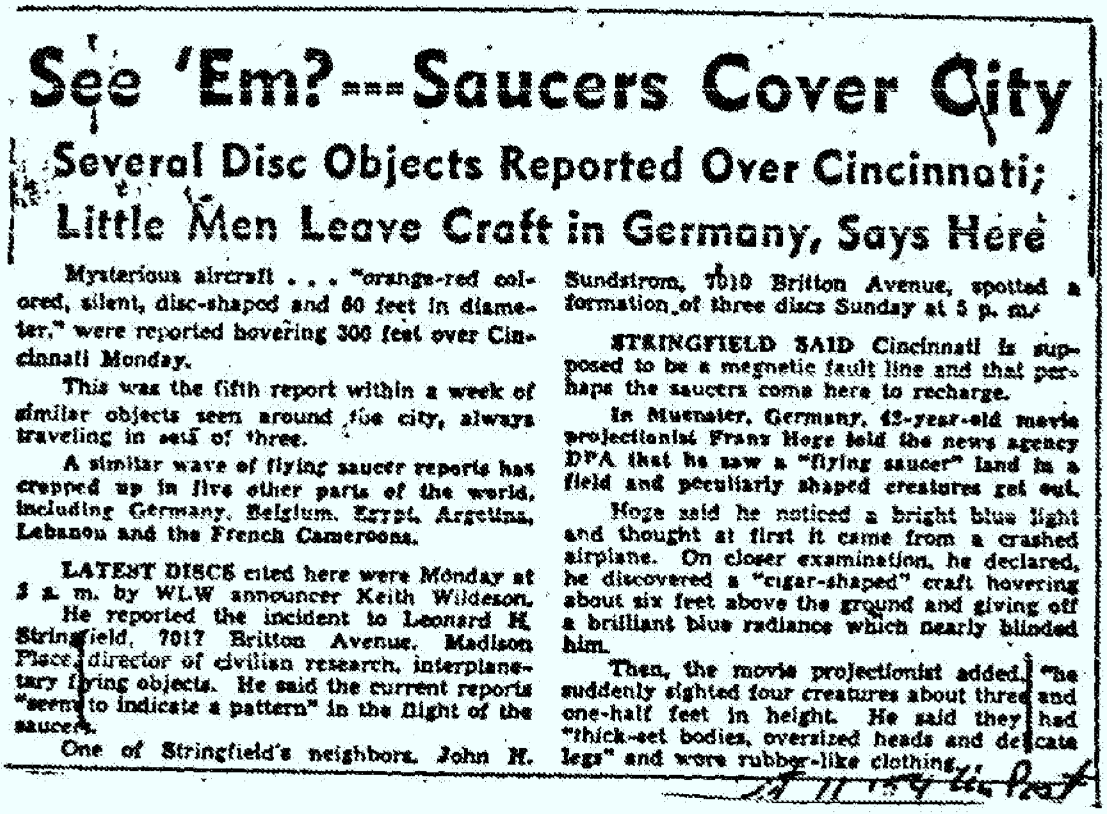

See 'Em?---Saucers Cover City

Several Disc Objects Reported Over Cincinnati; Little Men Leave Craft in Germany, Says Here

Mysterious aircraft . . . "orange-red colored, silent, disc-shaped and 60 feet in diameter," were reported hovering 300 feet over Cincinnati Monday.

This was the fifth report within a week of similar objects seen around the city, always traveling in sets of three.

A similar wave of flying saucer reports has cropped up in five other parts of the world, including Germany, Belgium, Egypt, Argentina, Lebanon and the French Cameroons.

LATEST DISCS cited here were Monday at 3 a. m. by WLW announcer Keith Wildeson.

He reported the incident to Leonard H. Stringfield, 7017 Britton Avenue, Madison Place, director of civilian research, interplanetary flying objects. He said the current reports "seem to indicate a pattern" in the flight of the saucers.

One of Stringfield's neighbors, John H. Sundstrom, 7010 Britton Avenue, spotted a formation of three discs Sunday at 5 p. m.

STRINGFIELD SAID Cincinnati is supposed to be a magnetic fault line and that perhaps the saucers come here to recharge.

In Muenster, Germany, 42-year-old movie projectionist Franz Hoge told the news agency DPA that he saw a "flying saucer" land in a field and peculiarly shaped creatures get out.

Hoge said he noticed a bright blue light and thought at first it came from a crashed airplane. On closer examination, he declared, he discovered a "cigar-shaped" craft hovering about six feet above the ground and giving off a brilliant blue radiance which nearly blinded him.

Then, the movie projectionist added, "he suddenly sighted four creatures about three and one-half feet in height. He said they had "thick-set bodies, oversized heads and delicate legs" and wore rubber-like clothing.

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LEONARD H. STRINGFIELD, Director
Cincinnati, Ohio
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Enclosures to Bureau:

1. "Newsletter" of 10/1/54 of the Civilian Research, Interplanetary Flying Objects.

2. Newspaper clipping from Cincinnati Times Star, 9/28/54 entitled, "Saucers" No Myth, Says Researcher

3. Newspaper clipping from Cincinnati Post, 10/11/54 entitled "See 'Em? — Saucers Over City"

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"Saucers" No Myth, Says Researcher

Flying saucers are not a myth.

At least, this is the studied conviction of Leonard H. Stringfield, director of civilian research, Interplanetary Flying Objects, 7017 Britton Avenue, a former Air Force intelligence officer.

In a newsletter to be issued Friday by the research bureau, Stringfield reported results of a 26-minute interview on flying saucers with Lt. Col. John O'Mara, deputy commander, Air Force intelligence, Wright Field.

He wrote that Col. O'Mara "intimated" that the Air Force wants to "dispense with the misconception that 'flying saucers' do not exist."

STRINGFIELD REPORTED: "Flying saucers do exist," the colonel told me, and he added . . . (that) past contradictions were unfortunate.

"I asked the colonel if there were two breakdowns of saucers . . . the interplanetary device and the secret American missile. I was first corrected on the term 'missile,' then the colonel said he believed there were 'three breakdowns'—the third, 'natural phenomena.'

"By such an admission," Stringfield wrote, "we therefore have these three breakdowns:

"1. The controlled saucer from outer space.

"2. A secret American saucer-like device.

"3. Unexplained natural phenomena."

Stringfield continued that when he asked the officer for a definite statement on saucers from outer space he was rebuffed, but was told that Air Force research was "gradually getting more data."

WHEN ASKED if all saucers seen by Americans—700 a week—were U. S. aircraft, Lt. Col. O'Mara replied, "Definitely not! Something does exist."

The Air Force officer further "intimated," according to Stringfield, that an official statement will soon be issued by the Defense Department "which will explain some of the past contradictions and release the details behind many (flying saucer) sightings."

"I can pretty well declare from evidence in my files," Stringfield told the TIMES-STAR, "that some flying saucers definitely come from outer space."

CINCINNATI TIMES STAR, CINCINNATI,O.

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SAUCERS HARASS EARTH; FEAR OF WORLD PANIC FORCES INTERNATION CENSORSHIP: Behind the Mask of Comedy is tragedy -- the tragedy of censo ship; on stage is the "Flying Saucer" whose misfortune of name has held it lud crously before the public eye since Ken Arnold announced "nine saucer-like things" flying near Mt. Ranier in 1947.

"Saucers" in their true dimension are less ludicrous to world governments. Working in cooperative secrecy they have enforced a bowstring-tight conspiracy of censorship. A recent example is found in this writer's correspondence with the Chilean Naval Mission in Washington, D. C. To quote their reply of December 23, 1953:

"We are pleased to acknowledge receipt of your letter ... regarding the photographs showing UFO's in formational flight, which you mention were taken by Captain Orrego of the Chilean Navy near Antarctica in 1948.

"Regarding this matter we wish to inform you that recently we received a communication from Capt. Orrego stating that he had not seen any UFO's over the Antarctica in 1948, therefore, the photographs requested by you do not exist....

(Signed) Harold Nagel, Captain
Chief of the Chilean Naval Mission.

Going back into old files I find that Capt. Augusto Orrego said:"During the brigh antarctic night we saw flying saucers, one above the other, turning at tremendous speeds. We have photographs to prove what we saw."

And now, the proof of Chilean contradiction, thus international censorship. He I refer to Major Keyhoe's recent book. He says: "Later, when I requested cop from the Chilean Embassy in Washington I was told that the pictures (Captain Orrego's) were classified."

Editor: For the pictures to be classified they first had to exist. Why, during December, did they fail to exist? Does this tie in with the U.S. Air Force's sudden security ruling, which I learned by letter from ATIC, Wright-Patterso AFB, dated Dec. 17, 1953. They said, in part: "In reference to your letter, th ATIC has been directed to make all information on Project Blue Book availabl to the Dept. of Defense for release from that point only ...."

What happened in those yestermonth skies? Why do our Air Force and Centra Intelligence bend over backwards to circumvent the truth about flying saucers? Why do foreign governments self-contradict themselves? Are they hiding supe saucer missiles of their own ... or, are they all just being cooperative to conceal some great American weapon? Hardly!

The answer is in the skies today ... right this minute! Fresh reports come t my desk daily. They come from competent and honest people. While these reports are being written other vehicles are crossing the barriers of space an time to "violate" earth's international boundaries ... to harass the paths of airlines, and with increasing frequency, to come closer to terra firma. Here, the hover over roof tops, "buzz" automobiles and peer into house windows. Some cause destruction, even death. Are these the behind-the-scenes reasons for censorship?

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EXCLUSIVE: PRIVATE TALK WITH LT. COLONEL JOHN O'MARA, DEPUTY COMMANDER, INTELLIGENCE, CONFIRMS THE EXISTENCE OF "FLYING SAUCERS" -- TRUTH MAY BE BARED SOON AS "TECHNICAL DATA" REACH THE AIR FORCE. AIR FORCE PLANS COOPERATION WITH PUBLIC.

The greatest story involving Earth and Space may soon be told. The "silence" group -- that official fear-faction of the Air force -- who for years fought to keep the truth from the public has now lost its anaconda-hold on accumulative evidence. Stimulated by recent events, the triumphant fearless-faction of the Air Force will take the benighted public into confidence. As Col. O'Mara intimated: we want to cooperate and dispense with the misconception that "flying saucers" do not exist. Here is the essence of Col. O'Mara's statements, 9/21/54:

Flying saucers "do exist" the Colonel told me, and he added, in effect, past contradictions were unfortunate. At this point I asked the Colonel if there were two breakdowns of saucers ...the interplanetary device and the secret American mi sile. I was first corrected on the term "missile", then the Colonel said he believe there were "three breakdowns" -- the third, "natural phenomena." By such an admission, we therefore have these three breakdowns ... 1) the controlled "sauc from outer space...2) a secret American saucer-like device and 3) unexplained natural phenomena.

When I tried for a committal statement on the interplanetary "saucer" I was, as expected, rebuffed, but was told that in their research they were "gradually getti more data." Then for corroboration, I asked if all the saucers seen by America were American devices and to this the Colonel replied: "Definitely not! Someth does exist," he said, which, of course, is diametric to all A.F. statements follo ing Major Keyhoe's book. In this respect, the Colonel intimated that the A.F. pl to cooperate with the public ... and a statement will be forthcoming from the Defense Dept. which will explain some of the past contradictions and release the details behind many of the sightings. When I asked, again, about the 700 sightings week, he told me that this would be covered in the A.F. release.

Col. O'Mara and I discussed many sensative issues. Although he spoke guardedl the Colonel was wonderfully cooperative, and I could well appreciate his position in relation to official security. When, for instance, I asked about the Earth Sate lites, and the theory indicating they were "rocks" (see page 3) he replied that h has not received word they were "rocks." He said the scientist in White Sands "are still working very hard and have lots of things to work on." When I asked about the silent Mars Committee he explained that the astronomers have not issu a report because "they are in disagreement" as to what they found.

In my 26 minute talk with the Colonel we also discussed saucer hostility, myster ous plane crashes, the Atlantic problem, and, whether or not the CRIFO Newsletter was slanted in the right direction. Re: the latter, the Colonel said, in effe that it (the Newsletter) was in the right direction ...

Editor's Note: Our Newsletter, due to above information, was revamped the last minute. What was the first page is now the second, et al.

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THE EARTH SATELLITE ENIGMA -- ARE THEY MOSCOW'S ... METEORIC OR MARTIAN? Statements conflict, as usual. I first reported these two mysterious earth satellites in my April Newsletter ... then again, following Lt. Col. O'Mara's admission to me, June 8, that a govt. project was tracking the objects but that the evidence was conflicting.

I heard nothing more until Aug. 3 when Edward W. Hermann, special agent for McGraw-Hill Publications, told me Dave Anderton, Engineering Editor of Aviation Week, had received a report from Dr. Lincoln La Paz regarding the satellites, and, that it would "appear in detail in a coming issue." In that a correspondent friend, Ted Bloecher of New York, tells me he tried dozens of newstands for the magazine, but to no avail (indicating a sudden scarcity) I will quote the August 23, 1954 issue of Aviation Week:

"Pentagon scare over the observance of two previously unobserved satellites orbiting the earth had dissipated with the identification of the objects as natural, not artificial satellites. Dr. Lincoln La Paz ... headed the identificatio project. One satellite is orbiting about 400 miles out while the other track is 600 miles from the earth. Pentagon thought the Russians had beaten the U.S. to space operations."

Now, the rest of the story, thanks to Ted Bloecher. Says Ted: "Being of a nature that is naturally suspicious of anything printed, I wrote Dr. La Paz and requested that he verify this release. I received an answer yesterday. (Sept. In his letter, Dr. La Paz regrets 'that Aviation Week's misleading satellite story has received such widespread and uncritical publicity.' Enclosed also was the letter he (La Paz) had written to A. P. Strangely enough, the papers were content with carrying the false report, for I've seen no mention of Dr. La Paz's correction on this report."
Following is copy of letter, in part, by Dr. La Paz, to the Associated Press:

"Scientifically and militarily, the search for nearby satellites of the earth is one of the most important on which mankind has ever embarked. It is therefore unfortunate, although not surprising, that false rumors are bound to be circulated in regard to the nature and results of this search.

"As regards the Aviation Week story on the satellite search, summarized in the A. P. release shown me, it is false in every particular insofar as referenc to me is concerned.... No one representing Aviation Week has questioned me concerning any possible connection I may have with the satellite search progra and no one whatever has been authorized to credit me with the activities attributed to me in the Aviation Week story."

(Signed) Lincoln La Paz
Director Institute of Meteoritics

Your letters and clippings are greatly appreciated; each is carefully read and filed. Since the April Newsletter, more than 8000 letters have crossed my desk -- a tremendous load for just two people. My wife, Dell, handles all administrative details, subscriptions, mailing, etc., while I direct the research and prepare the Newsletter. We are both grateful for your kind letters and your enduring patience. KEEP THE MAIL COMING, but we're afraid to commit ourselves on a reply. The Newsletter is published first Friday of the month. Subscription $2.00 a year, starting with June 1954 issue. Six month subscriptions starting in April terminate with Oct. issue. Mark RENEWAL clearly with remittance. Back copies of April, May, June issues available at 25¢ each. Foreign subscriptions (except Canada) are $2.60 regular first class mail. Air Mail add 50¢ extra per issue of Newsletter.

LOGAN, UTAH JOLTED BY VIOLENT EXPLOSION AND GAPING CRATER FOLLOWING MYSTERIOUS "STREAK OF LIGHT" IN SKY: First guess -- meteorite, but as the evidence was assembled by foremost authorities, the theory dissipated. Here's the story, thanks to the help of Mrs. John Germ of Woodscross, Utah who probed the Salt Lake Tribune files for the early fa -- before SILENCE!

On May 7, 1954 the Tribune reported: "A 'conventional meteorite fall' did n produce the crater found west of here Sunday, and probing operations at the scene have been discontinued, geologists said. In a 73-word statement, 3 sci entists gave reasons why they ended their investigation, but it contained no opinion on who or what made the hole, or how it was made.

"The statement, signed by J. Stewart Williams, professor of geology, Utah S Agricultural College, Lincoln La Paz, director, Institute of Meteoritics, Un versity of New Mexico and Clyde T. Hardy, USAC geology professor read:

'In the region extending from Clarkston south to Paradise, exhaustive inter gation of numerous persons who saw or heard the explosive phenomenon at midnight on May 1 has been carried out. The testimony thus obtained and ma evidence recovered as a result of subsurface investigations at the site of th explosion west of Logan have disclosed that the crater was not produced by conventional meteorite fall. For these reasons, operations have been discontin

And from the Tribune, May 5: "Dr. Lincoln La Paz spent his first full day here, working with Dr. J. Stewart Williams and Dr. Clyde T. Hardy. On hi arrival here Monday night, Dr. La Paz said the hole must have been made b a 'whopper' if it contains a meteorite. They decided to place a frame arour the crater and cover it with wire mesh. Workers will stand on movable plan and probe with a pipe. In this way they will know they have probed every pl possible under the mesh.

" 'My recommendation is that we excavate until we find what made the hole, said Dr. La Paz, who is credited with recovering the world's largest aeroli weighing more than one ton."

The incident occurred on May 1 bringing "500 phone calls" to the Logan City Police Dept. Residents reported their houses "shaken" and TV viewers sai their reception was disturbed. A check made later with Hill Air Force Bas and Salt Lake City indicated no planes in the area for several hours. A wa veteran described the 16 ft. wide and 6 ft. deep hole as looking like a "bomb crater." Sod was found scattered in all directions for more than 100 yards.

On Aug. 31, '54, I wrote Dr. Clyde T. Hardy, geologist who worked on the pr ject, asking if any substantial evidence as to its (the explosion's) source ha been uncovered. Following is Dr. Hardy's reply of Sept. 11, 1954:

"Reference is made to your letter of Aug. 31 re. the explosion and crater we of Logan. Although a fireball was reported by several people previous to th ground explosion, I am personally convinced that they were confused. One pecially competent observer describes a ground flash only and he was favor situated to see all aspects of the occurrence."

(Signed) Clyde T. Hardy
Assoc. Prof., Dept. Geology

(Ref. File: Case 20)

JET "EXPLODES" CHASING UFO NEAR UTICA, N.Y.: The gamy but sauce phobic press tried pitting wits with its readership. They handed the unsus- pecting reader a front page story without the facts, then (see July 3 New Yo Times) presented the facts in a separate story buried in the back pages. Rea They feared public reaction to saucer tragedy, viz: Capt. Mantell. But, wit didn't pit right with Ted Bloecher and others such as Lester S. Parker of Top Kansas. They correlated the loose ends:

Let's review one "end" -- the front page story: A jet fighter returning from "scramble" to investigate an "unidentified aircraft", plunged into tiny Wales eleven miles southwest of Utica, about 12:30 P.M., July 2, 1954. The plane crashed into an auto and two buildings killing four persons.

The Air Force in Washington announced the F-94-C Starfire had been sent u on "an active air defense intercept mission." According to the U.P. releas of July 3, "Air Force spokesmen said the cockpit of the plane ... became un bearably hot during the flight and that the pilot ordered his radar observer t bail out ... then bailed out himself at 7000 ft."

According to the A.P. release in New York Times July 3, "The air base (Gr AFB) said, 'that fuel in the burning plane apparently had exploded when the crashed.' They said it had not been determined whether an explosion occurr while the jet was in the air."

"Later," according to A.P., "an AF spokesman in Washington said the inte cepted plane was one that had failed to file a flight plan with C.A.A. or, one that drifted off its announced flight path."

The U.P. and A.P. stories of disaster were essentially true, but because o "disaster" angle they designated the pursued object as a "plane" rather than UFO. Ted Bloecher, who did some checking, told me that his friend, Ed Wilkenson, listened to a broadcast which described the incident, thus: "The jet had successfully contacted the UFO but still could not identify it."

But Ted Bloecher's real find was in the small item buried in the New York T (July 3) back pages. It reads:

"A silvery, balloon-like object floating high over the Utica area sent resident rushing to their telephones to make inquiries of newspapers, police and radi stations.

"The Utica Press estimated that more than 1000 calls about the object jamm its switchboard between 6 and 10:00 P.M. It was reported sighted by reside in a twenty-five mile radius extending from Rome on the west to Frankfort, east of Utica.

"Col. Milton F. Summerfelt commandant of the Air Force Depot at Rome sa the object appeared to be a plastic balloon about 40 ft. long and partially deflate He theorized that it was making a gradual descent and said that if it still wer in the area tomorrow morning a plane would be sent to investigate.

"A Mohawk Airlines pilot estimated the altitude of the object at about 20,000 f He said he saw a light apparently shining from it."

(Ref. Case File - 21)

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A WORD FROM "SILENCED" BUT NOT FORGOTTEN FRANK EDWARDS: Many hundreds of letters have been received asking for "inside"details behi Frank Edwards' dismissal from radio. Many have voiced their anger and, many like Shirley Watson of Vienna, Va., have vociferated their feelings to Mr. Meany, AFL President. CRIFO owes a lot to Frank Edwards, so Iwro Frank recently and asked him for a statement. Here is Frank's reply of August 26, 1954 in part:

"The facts are that for a long time I had been fighting the encroachment of sorship imposed by Meany. The final straw came when on Aug. 2nd this yea sent me a memorandum imposing conditions which my attorneys regard as violation of my contract ... and conditions under which I could no longer co tinue to produce the same type of broadcast which had built my program to of the top three ... according to AFL statements.

"Meany's Aug. 2 memo notified me that the AFL censor would tell me what items MUST be carried. Still disguised as an 'editor' the censor would ins the scripts and stand by to see that I carried the material as directed.

"Am glad that I was able to be of assistance to you in the dissemination of t material in which we both, along with millions of others, are so deeply interested." Best wishes,(Signed) Frank Edwards

Readers will be interested to know that Frank Edwards has written an articl entitled "SPIES IN THE SKIES?" which is to appear in the Nov. issue of Re magazine. Says Frank: "It deals with some of the little known aspects of th greatest news story of our times." DON'T MISS IT!

MYSTERY METAL IGNITES ROAD: Woodside, California officials and residents were baffled by a shower of white-hot metal pellets, Aug. 27, 1954. T furore was triggered when a woman motorist saw a "circle of fire" along Pertola Road. Later firemen found scores of small pieces of flaming metal burning the pavement over an area about 70 by 250 feet. The blacktop bubbl where the metal burned into it and grass fires were started where the meta burned along the shoulders of the highway. A resident, Ignacio Miramontes reported hearing a loud explosion about 4:15 P.M., but saw nothing.

According to U.P. release, "Metallurgists and AF officials offered no solutio for the white-hot pellets. "San Mateo officials reported the pellets ranging in si from a dime to a 50 cent piece, and according to Woodside Fire Chief, John Volpaino, the metal shower burned holes in the road surface a quarter of an inch deep. "I just can't figure it out," he said. "It has me completely mystified." Deputy Sheriff Robert Benassini said the metal scraps had irregular marking and appeared to have come from a "cylindrical object."

An Air Force spokesman advanced the theory, the metal came from jet plan exhaust pipes which reach extreme temperatures in flight. However, a che with air bases disclosed no military jets were in the bay area Friday. (Than to Perry G. Powers of Duarte and an unnamed informant who sent in the sto from San Fransisco Call Bulletin.)

THE "SPLOTCHED PAINT MYSTERY": On the same date in Little Hollywo in a community in the valley by the bay just north of San Fransisco County line, residents were baffled by a "splotched paint mystery"! About half of the approx mate 300 homes in the area were affected. One white stucco house turned pink a gray house splotched, a green house came out looking like a "marble cake." None of the residents had an explanation.

THE CINCINNATI PAINT INCIDENT -- A PARALLEL PHENOMENON?

Residents in Cincinnati, Sept. 11, '54 had similar experiences. One Albert Allgeyer came home from work to find the bright yellow trim on his two-sto house stained to a "washed-out brown, almost black color." The stains woul rub off, without taking the hard top coat of paint, too. It looked like someone had used a blow-torch, and in some places the stains appeared in dirty brow rivulets. Allgeyer was certain that the stains weren't there the night before So was Howard May, neighbor, who received similar treatment. His house trimmed in yellow too, as is another house across the street where stains appeared.

On Sept. 22, I talked with Allgeyer again and learned that the Kettering Lab University of Cincinnati had taken air samples as well as specimens of the a fected paint. A Dr. Hughes explained that the mystery was caused by the ch cal reaction of hydrogen sulphide which could attack the lead in certain paint The Lab averred that the chemical probably emanated from the Millcreek Va which runs near Allgeyer's home, and which has since affected other homes the area. Although a Proctor and Gamble doctor who examined Allgeyer tol him that the chemical mentioned is not injurious to people, Allgeyer, five da after the incident complained of extreme swelling of both hands and eye lids. Described as some kind of allergy -- not hives, they offered no explanation.

Editor's Note: Remembering other ubiquitous mysteries, viz., pitted windshields, metallic pellets, curious ash deposits, I referred to a recent articl written by Edward S. Schultz, of Buffalo, N.Y. entitled, "The Growing Wind shield Damage Phenomenon," which appeared in B.S.R.A.'s May-June, 1954 issue of Round Robin. In this, Schultz offers plausible and provocative theor ... and the possible answer to these phenomena. Write Meade Layne, Direc tor, 3524 Adams Ave., San Diego 16, California.

CASE FILE REVIEW: Space does not permit the use of all the excellent material received. Sightings in the U.S., Europe and Australia are continuing and will be used in forthcoming issues of the Newsletter.

C-22, Rockford, Ill...9/5/54) As they had done on many occasions, amateur astronomers, Peter Bartkus and Theodore McColm, were watching the moo through a telescope. Between the hours of 10:35 and 11:15 P.M., Bartkus writes: "I observed the most unusual phenomena I have ever had the experience of witnessing." Bartkus continues: "The moon was observed through m 6" cassigranian reflector telescope using a secondary mirror. The total foc length for this setup is over 100", and with the use of 150 and 200 power occ lars we got tremendous power with the least loss of light. The moon was in the first quarter and its diameter was 29 feet, 30 inches. We saw a spheric object ascending from the northern section off Mare Humboldtianum area. It was not glowing or brilliant, but seemed more like a dull reflected light of a planet. Its size we estimated at about the diameter of craters Pitiscus or Vlaco. At the time it disappeared at 11:15, it had travelled more than the 29 30" of arc in about 40 minutes. We checked out the possibility of atmospher diffraction in the sky or the scope by traversing the scope, and by changing the occulars. The object must have been a powered body because as the mo was descending at 1081 mph, the object was ascending and not following a tr orbit. It was definitely in space, and in the same field as the moon, or near the moon."

August 12, 1954

AIR MAIL

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Mr. [redacted]
[redacted]
Zanesville, Ohio

Dear [redacted]

Your letter of August 7, 1954, with enclosure, has been received.

I would like to advise you that the article you mentioned is entirely incorrect with reference to the FBI, and there is no information on the matter which I can give you.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

NOTE: This article was previously brought to our attention, and the field advised the magazine editor that the story was not true as far as the Bureau's part was concerned. The editor stated he regretted the error and he would publish a retraction in the next issue, which is not due for several months yet. Enclosure was in air mail-stamped envelope, being used in reply.

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Zanesville, Ohio

August 7, 1954

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To:
Director
Federal Bureau Of Investigation
Washington D.C.

Subject: Inquiry about fantastic article

Dear Sir:

This may seem utterly silly, but I felt that I must write in about it.

In the August issue of MYSTIC magazine is an article telling of two men from the planet Venus who landed in a flying saucer near Barstow, California, obtained some old clothes, and hitch hiked into Los Angeles.

One of these two, the article says, got a job for a while in the missing persons office of a newspaper in LA.

On page 18, 2nd column, 3rd paragraph, MYSTIC says that a Los Angeles newspaper reporter stated that he sent a ''full report'' about these beings from another planet to the FBI.

MYSTIC also says that accompanying that account was an analysis record of a ''gouged'' piece of hard alloy steel which one of the Venusians is supposed to have made by running his thumb lightly across the surface of it. And that this particular analysis was made by ''one of the foremost laboratories in LA."

Frankly I don't believe the article. On the other hand, I can't prove it isn't true.

If such a report was sent to you, may I purchase a photostatic copy of each page?

Sincerely yours,

[redacted]

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Date: August 9, 1954

To: Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: FLYING SAUCERS;
[redacted] b7c
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

On July 29, 1954, Mr. John Hutson, Security Officer, Bureau of Aeronautics, United States Navy Department, and Commander L. T. McQuiston, United States Navy, furnished the following information to this Bureau.

They advised that the Office of Naval Intelligence had forwarded a file to the Bureau of Aeronautics with enclosures which had been received from [redacted] n.c. According to [redacted] and [redacted] resided near [redacted] who had been receiving messages through thought transmission. [redacted] approached [redacted] and advised him that "flying saucers" were here to help mankind. Information received by [redacted] indicated that Knowles became interested in the messages received by [redacted] and felt that the matter should be investigated by the Government. b7c

[redacted] advised that [redacted] wrote to Admiral Espe, Director of Naval Intelligence, on June 1, 1954, enclosing some of the messages received by [redacted]. Receiving no reply to his original communication, [redacted] again wrote to the Director of Naval Intelligence on June 7, 1954. [redacted] advised that the first letter that b7c

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[redacted] wrote to the Director of Naval Intelligence contained information that [redacted] was receiving messages through thought control from "outer space" and wrote them down as she received them. The letter, according to [redacted] stated that [redacted] would write without any effort on her part and would write continuously for four or five hours at a time without getting tired. He stated that the Office of Naval Intelligence had in its possession the transmissions or messages that had been received by [redacted]

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[redacted] stated that he "unofficially" became interested in the matter and at the invitation of [redacted] he went to [redacted] where he spent July 24, 25, 26, 1954, in the residence of [redacted]

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[redacted] stated that inasmuch as [redacted] had received no response from the Government concerning this matter, he began reading books on flying saucers. Hutson advised that during the time that he was a house guest of [redacted], there was also present [redacted] who was also interested in flying saucers. [redacted] stated that [redacted] was at [redacted] residence with his family and was there in an unofficial capacity.

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[redacted] advised that during his stay, he and [redacted] had various interviews with [redacted] and had had contact with the "outer space" through [redacted] During the interview with [redacted] and the contact with "outer space," [redacted] stated that they sat in a group and he observed [redacted] writing messages that she was receiving from someone in "outer space." According to [redacted] informed him that people from "outer space" could use her eyes and ears to see and hear. According to [redacted] this is accomplished by the use of a mechanical device and all conversations are recorded by the people in "outer space." Hutson indicated as an example as to how messages were relayed, he stated that he asked [redacted] a question which she was to relay to the people in "outer space" and before she had time to relay the question, she began writing the answer down to his question on paper.

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[redacted] stated that [redacted] informed him that whenever she was to have contact with the people in "outer space," she would get a buzzing sound in her left ear to indicate that they were "on the line." [redacted] stated that

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[redacted] complained to the people in "outer space" that this buzzing sound gets very annoying and painful to her ear. She also stated that the messages had been coming since May 27, 1954, and would come at all times of the night and consequently she was losing a great deal of sleep. According to [redacted] arranged a schedule with the people in "outer space" so that the messages would not interfere with her sleep. [redacted] advised that a schedule was arranged between [redacted] and the people in "outer space" that she would receive messages on the following schedule: 8:00 in the morning, 12 noon, 6:00 in the evening, every day of the week. b7C

[redacted] stated that [redacted] [redacted] and [redacted], had also heard the buzzing sound in their ears, but have not been able to receive transmissions or messages. [redacted] stated that the transmissions related to flying saucers, location and why they were here, life on other planets, and life in the hereafter, and prophesies in the Bible. [redacted] advised that [redacted] could contact people in "outer space" by mental thought control. b7C

According to [redacted] stated that there were two space ships from which she had been receiving messages. They were described as 150 miles wide, 200 miles in length, and 100 miles in depth. Hutson stated that these ships are designated as M-4 and L-11 and they also contain mother ships which measure approximately 150 to 200 feet in length. [redacted] related that [redacted] had informed him that there were approximately 5,000 of these mother ships. He stated that "Affa" is the Manager or the Commander of the ship M-4 which is from the planet Uranus and "Ponnar" is the Manager or the Commander of the ship L-11 which is from the planet Hatann. b7C [redacted] related that [redacted] stated that these contacts with "Affa" and "Ponnar" were for the purpose of protecting our own earth from destruction caused by the explosion of the atom bomb, hydrogen bomb, and wars of various kinds which they, "Affa" and "Ponnar," say disrupt the magnetic field of force which surrounds the earth. [redacted] stated that [redacted]lso related that contact was made for the purpose of protecting the whole universe because if the "fault lines" break or go to pieces, it would affect the entire universe. According to [redacted] stated, "Affa" and "Ponnar" are presently working the area of the Pacific Ocean repairing "fault lines" which are in danger of breaking.

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[redacted] stated that both he and [redacted] were looking for proof and they wanted to know whether they could contact the man from "outer space." According to [redacted] advised that he and [redacted] could make contact in "outer space" on any frequency provided they informed her first of the frequency that they were to use so that she could advise the people in "outer space." [redacted] stated that in connection with his contacting "outer space," he could make no commitment as he did not know how far the Navy would go. He advised, however, that [redacted] stated that he would try to make contact with "outer space" on Sunday, August 1, 1954, and was going to use a high frequency. [redacted] stated that to make sure that contact was made, [redacted] advised that the ship from "outer space" would come within 100 miles of [redacted], so that [redacted] would have no difficulty in making his contact.

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[redacted] stated that [redacted] wanted to know if physical contact could be had with the people in "outer space." [redacted] advised [redacted] and [redacted] that the people in "outer space" wanted to know if they could provide them protection and that if physical contact were to be made, they would appear in a force which would consist of 5,000 "bells" or "flying saucers." According to [redacted] these "bells" or "flying saucers" would appear over many nations of the world during the latter part of August, 1954, and would come close enough to the earth so that they could be seen by man and that they in turn would be able to see people on the street.

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[redacted] described [redacted] as being of middle-class circumstances, having a very modest home with furniture below middle-class. He stated that she has [redacted] He considered her to be a [redacted] and one who has studied [redacted]

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The above data is being furnished to the Office of Special Investigations, United States Air Force, for any investigation deemed appropriate, and for information to G-2, Department of the Army, and the Office of Naval Intelligence, United States Navy. No further action is being taken in this matter by this Bureau.

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cc - 1 - Director of Naval Intelligence
Department of the Navy
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

cc - 1 - Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2
Department of the Army
The Pentagon
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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI DATE: 8/2/54

FROM : SAC, WFO (62-0)

SUBJECT: [redacted] b7c

MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

This interview is predicated upon a telephone call received by SAC L. L. LAUGHLIN on 7/29/54 from [redacted] Bureau of Aeronautics, U. S. Navy Department. b7c

On the same date [redacted] was interviewed in Room 2912, Main Navy Building. Also present during the interview was [redacted] and [redacted] furnished the following information: b7c

They advised that the Office of Naval Intelligence had forwarded a file to the Bureau of Aeronautics with enclosures which had been received from [redacted]. According to [redacted] and [redacted] resided near [redacted] who had been receiving messages through thought transmission. [redacted] approached [redacted] and advised him that "flying saucers" were here to help mankind. Information received by [redacted] indicated that [redacted] became interested in the messages received by [redacted] and felt that the matter should be investigated by the Government. b7c

[redacted] advised that [redacted] wrote to Admiral ESPEY, Director of Naval Intelligence, on 6/1/54 enclosing some of the messages received by [redacted] Receiving no reply to his original communication, [redacted] again wrote ONI on 6/7/54. [redacted] advised that the first letter that [redacted] wrote to ONI contained information that [redacted] was receiving messages through thought control from "outer space" and wrote them down as she received them. The letter, according to [redacted], stated that [redacted] would write without any effort on her part and would write continuously for four or five hours at a time without getting tired. He stated that ONI had in their possession the transmissions or messages that had been received by [redacted]. b7c

[redacted] stated that ONI had advised that in the absence of any definite evidence of conversations, they would do nothing in the matter. He also stated that the Bureau of Aeronautics took no official action in b7c

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in the matter. [redacted] was questioned concerning the position that the Bureau of Aeronautics had taken and he remarked that he did not believe that this was pertinent. After further questioning, he subsequently stated that the Bureau of Aeronautics was of the belief that this was a matter for ONI. b7C

[redacted] stated that he "unofficially" became interested in the matter and at the invitation of [redacted] he went to [redacted] where he spent 7/24,25,26/54 in the residence of [redacted] [redacted] stated that he informed Admiral SAUCEK, his superior in the Bureau of Aeronautics, that he was going to visit [redacted] b7C

[redacted] stated that inasmuch as [redacted] had received no response from the Government concerning this matter, he began reading books on flying saucers. [redacted] advised that during the time that he was a house guest of [redacted], there was also present [redacted] who was also interested in flying saucers. [redacted] stated that [redacted] was at [redacted] residence with his family and was there in an unofficial capacity. b7C

[redacted] advised that during his stay, he and [redacted] had various interviews with [redacted] and had had contact with the "outer space" through [redacted]. During the interview with [redacted] and the contact with "outer space," [redacted] stated that they sat in a group and he observed [redacted] writing messages that she was receiving from someone in "outer space." According to [redacted] informed him that the people from "outer space" could use her eyes and ears to see and hear. According to [redacted] this is accomplished by the use of a mechanical device and all conversations are recorded by the people in "outer space." [redacted] indicated as an example as to how messages were relayed, he stated that he asked [redacted] a question which she was to relay to the people in "outer space" and before she had time to relay the question, she began writing the answer down to his question on paper. b7C

[redacted] stated that [redacted] informed him that whenever she was to have contact with the people in "outer space," she would get a buzzing sound in her left ear to indicate that they were "on the line." [redacted] stated that [redacted] complained to the people in "outer space" that this buzzing sound gets very annoying and painful to her ear. She also stated that the messages had been coming since May 27, 1954, and would come at all times of the night and consequently she was losing a great deal of sleep. According to [redacted] arranged a schedule with the people in "outer space" so that the messages would not interfere with her sleep. [redacted] advised that a schedule was arranged between [redacted] and the people in "outer space" that she would receive messages on the following schedule: 8:00 in the morning, 12 noon, 6:00 in the evening, every day of the week. b7C [redacted] stated that [redacted], and [redacted] [redacted], had also heard the buzzing sound in their ears, but have not been able to receive transmissions or messages. [redacted] stated that the transmissions related to flying saucers, location and why they were here, life on other planets, and life in the hereafter, and prophesies in the Bible. [redacted] advised that [redacted] could contact people in "outer space" by mental thought control.

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According to [redacted] stated that there were two space ships from which she had been receiving messages. They were described as 150 miles wide, 200 miles in length, and 100 miles in depth. [redacted] stated that these ships are designated as M-4 and L-11 and they also contain mother ships which measure approximately 150 to 200 feet in length. [redacted] related that [redacted] had informed him that there were approximately 5,000 of these mother ships. He stated that "AFFA" is the Manager or the Commander of the ship M-4 which is from the planet Uramus and "PONNAR" is the Manager or the Commander of the ship L-11 which is from the planet Hatann. [redacted] related that [redacted] stated that these contacts with "AFFA" and "PONNAR" were for the purpose of protecting our own earth from destruction caused by the explosion of the atom bomb, hyrdrogen bomb, and wars of various kinds which they, "AFFA" and "PONNAR," say disrupt the magnetic field of force which surrounds the earth. [redacted]stated that [redacted] also related that contact was made for the purpose of protecting the whole universe because if the "fault lines" break or go to pieces, it would effect the entire universe. According to [redacted]stated, "AFFA" and "PONNAR" are presently working in the area of the Pacific Ocean repairing "fault lines" which are in danger of breaking.

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[redacted] stated that both he and [redacted] were looking for proof and they wanted to know whether they could contact the man from "outer space." According to [redacted] advised that he and [redacted] could make contact in "outer space" on any frequency provided they informed her first of the frequency that they were to use so that she could advise the people in "outer space." [redacted] stated that in connection with his contacting "outer space," he could make no commitment as he did not know how far the Navy would go. He advised, however, that [redacted] stated that he would try to make contact with "outer space" on Sunday, August 1, 1954, and was going to use a high frequency. [redacted] stated that to make sure that contact was made, [redacted] advised that the ship from "outer space" would come within 100 miles of [redacted], so that [redacted] would have no difficulty in making his contact.

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[redacted] stated that [redacted] wanted to know if physical contact could be had with the people in "outer space." [redacted] advised [redacted] and [redacted] that the people in "outer space" wanted to know if they could provide them protection and that if physical contact were to be made, they would appear in a force which would consist of 5,000 "bells" or "flying saucers."

According to [redacted] these "bells" or "flying saucers" would appear over many nations of the world during the latter part of August 1954, and would come close enough to the earth so that they could be seen by man and that they in turn would be able to see people on the street. b7c

[redacted] stated that [redacted] wrote a letter to MARGARET CHASE SMITH, Senator from Maine, concerning this information, who forwarded the information to the Secretary of Defense and copies were sent to the Army, Navy, and Air Force. According to [redacted] also wrote a letter to the President of the United States. b7c

[redacted] stated that none of the persons involved in this matter were interested in publicity. He stated that he would be willing to assist the Bureau in the investigation of this matter if the Bureau desired, inasmuch as he believed [redacted] and [redacted] had confidence in him. b7c

[redacted] described [redacted] as being of middle-class circumstances, having a very modest home with furniture below middle-class. He stated that she has [redacted] He considered her to be a [redacted] person, [redacted] [redacted], and one who has studied [redacted] b7c

The above information is being made available to the Office of Special Invesitgations, United States Air Force, and no further action is being taken by this office.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 8/2/54

FROM : SAC, Cincinnati (62-0)

SUBJECT: FLYING SAUCER REPORT
INFORMATION CONCERNING

[illegible]

[redacted] for Greater Cincinnati and Hamilton County, Ohio, called this office on 7/23/54 to report that he had received a report of a flying saucer from Mr. [redacted], Milford, Ohio. Mr. [redacted] said that he could be reached at his residence which is [redacted]

[redacted] reported to [redacted] that both he and his wife, at approximately 2:40 p.m. on 7/23/54, had observed a silver circular or spherical shape in the sky which was located to the southeast of their residence, approximately forty-five degrees above the horizon.

[redacted] was advised that the report made by him was being referred to the appropriate officials of the United States Air Force.

I have advised the local office of the Office of Special Investigations at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base of the above.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (62-83894) DATE: 7/22/54

FROM : SAC, Cincinnati (65-1994)

SUBJECT: [redacted]
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Attached are five copies of a memorandum containing information set out in my letter of June 8, 1954 with additional information furnished by [redacted] [redacted] on July 2, 1954.

On July 2, 1954, although [redacted] had been so advised at the time of the original interview with him on June 7, 1954, he was again advised in accordance with instructions in reBulet.

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DETROIT FLYING SAUCER CLUB

54[illegible]2 Cass Avenue - Detroit 2, Michigan - TRinity 5-7300

Henry Maday, President
Laura Marxer, Vice President

Dolores M. Coyne, Secretary
John C. Hoffman, Treasurer

AN OPEN LETTER TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES:

Sept. 22, 1954

Mr. President:

As citizens of Detroit and vicinity, we request audience with you regarding the coming of Space ships to this earth. Many of us have seen these objects; so have others both in this country and on foreign soil.

To us it matters little whether these be called "UFO's" (unidentified flying objects) space ships, fireballs, flying saucers or any other name. The point is that they are continuously coming, and they are being observed both here and abroad.

It appears that our government with far greater facilities for observation than any individual is perfectly aware of such phenomena, but has adopted a policy of silence and secrecy in regard to them. We understand that certain individuals within the Defense Department are afraid of announcing the facts to the citizens for fear of panic.

Mr. President, we feel that this policy is false, fear-provoking and entirely mistaken for following reasons:

1. We believe that these phenomena are of a magnitude and importance such as to warrant the utmost openness and cooperation between government and citizenry.
2. We believe that the present policy of silence and secrecy is a reflection on the intelligence and loyalty of the American citizen.
3. We believe that this policy not only encourages fear and lack of confidence in government, but leads to exploitation by unscrupulous publishers and opportunistic individuals who prey upon the natural curiosity of the American citizen.
4. We do not understand by what right certain public servants, utilizing the taxpayers' facilities for information and observation, gather facts relative to these phenomena, and then fail to properly inform the public.
5. Other countries have already acknowledged these phenomena and have publicly appointed governmental commissions to investigate, collect information and report to the people.

Mr. President: We, therefore, call upon you, our trusted leader, to utilize the great powers of your office to change this shameful and unamerican policy of silence and secrecy.

We ask that our government come forward and make an honest and forthright acknowledgment of these phenomena, and inform the citizens of such pertinent facts as are now available. In return, the citizens then would be willing to report sightings and contacts which otherwise would remain concealed because of fear of ridicule or rebuff by government agencies.

This cooperation between the government and its citizenry would clear the atmosphere of fear and suspicion, would renew confidence in our public officials, and pave the way to a better understanding and evaluation of these great phenomena.

Such a clear acknowledgment, emanating from the head of our nation might divert mankind's attention from the spectre of impending atomic war. It could lift the consciousness of everyone on this earth to a Cosmic level where a complete new set of Spiritual, scientific and moral values would be within the reach of all.

DETROIT FLYING SAUCER CLUB

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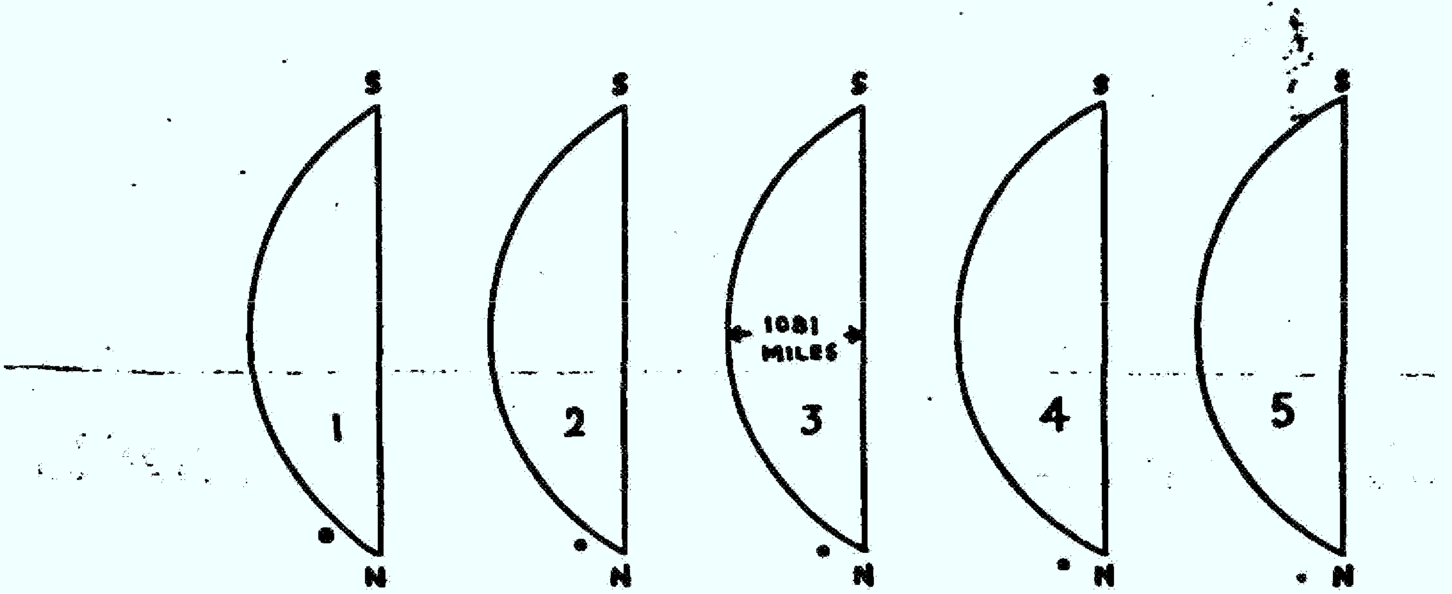
The drawings below are Theodore McColm's. They illustrate the object's siz and movement at 4 minute intervals in relation to the moon. McColm, througl calculus, estimated the object to be 12,500 ft. in diameter.



Editor's Note: This incident and Case 14 transcends any notion that "saucer" vehicles are confined to earth's atmosphere, therefore U.S. or Russian origi Unless these governments are secretly conducting interplanetary travel, Case 14 and 22 and myriads of others, add another positive link to the hypothesis that "saucers" are extra-terrestrial and are using the moon as a hopping-off point.

C-23, Rome, Italy ... 9/18/54) A. P. Wire: Startled Romans who saw a strang cigar-shaped object streaking over the capital flooded newspaper offices with calls. Radar operators also reported picking up the missile on instruments. Technicians at Ciampino Airfield described the "half-cigar" as plummeting toward earth for more than 1000 ft., then rising at tremendous speed before vanishing. (Thanks to George Popowitch, Barberton, Ohio.)

An INS release by eyewitness Michael Chinigo states: "What attracted my at· tention was the strange sound as it passed overhead. It was like thunder with a staccato effect ... a series of explosions that grew louder as the object got closer. This was followed by a dead silence as the thing stopped, or appeare to, at a height of about 6000 ft. Suddenly it shot upward and left an exhaust trail of milky white smoke. It went straight up into the sky. The Defense Dept. described it as a 'clipped cone' with a smaller surface on the bottom, (as two semi-circular disks, one bigger than the other, with a bigger one on top. To me it seemed like an inverted sawed-off cone. What was strange was the object's ability to 'park' in mid-air for several minutes. The radar stati at Rome which picked up the 'cigar' or 'cone' said it registered for 35 minute (Thanks to Warren Morse, Palo Alto, Calif.)

Editor's Note: Significant here is the AP and INS release. First they break us the news on the Labrador sighting in July, then silence, then the Norwegia space man story in August, now Italy. Foreign sightings all -- a subtle preparation.

October 8, 1954

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EX-130

[redacted]
Detroit 15, Michigan

Dear [redacted]

Your letter postmarked September 30, 1954, with enclosures, has been received, and the thought prompting your bringing the matter you mentioned to the attention of this Bureau is very much appreciated.

In the event you acquire further data which you believe to be of interest to the FBI, please feel free to contact the representatives of our office located at 913 Federal Building, Detroit 26, Michigan.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

cc - Detroit, with copy of incoming and enclosures.

ATTENTION SAC: The Detroit Flying Saucer Club is not identifiable in Bufiles. Neither are any any of the individuals who are listed as officers or speakers whose names appear on the literature forwarded by correspondent with the exception of Desmond Leslie and Henry Madnus. These latter two individuals have been brought to the Bureau's attention before as having written material or lectured on the subject of Flying Saucers. (62-83894-343 and 344)

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Sept 27, 1954.

Federal Bureau
of Investigation
Washington, D.C.

Gentlemen:

A recently formed organiza
named the "Detroit Flying Saucer Club"
a meeting as per enclosed literature, &
the program unfolded and in fact
loyalty statements by the principals'
began to wonder.

Here is an organization dea
in the fantastic encouraging good follow
Fund raising is no problem as their
attendance (for the night was 1000 at one
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They are international in scope and
have national, state, local and even
neighborhood study groups.

This whole set-up would be
ideal as a communist front organizatio
It likely is 100% legal but anything
could happen and you are the peo
who can stop it.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

Detroit 15 Mich.

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Here is the m who has coupled 2¼ years of
profound resea ith native Cosmic insight!

The Detroit Flying Saucer Club
announces the distinguished presence of

MR. DESMOND LESLIE

Noted Irish journalist and author; preeminent
Saucer scholar; co-author of the best seller;
"Flying Saucers Have Landed"
who will address our membership and friends
on TUESDAY EVENING September 28th, at 8:15 P.M.
with audience participation to follow.

Detroit Institute of Arts--Large auditorium
(Entrance on John R, near Kirby)
All seats $1.00 ** Box Office open at 6:30 P.M.

DETROIT FLYING "CER CLUB
presents

MR. JOHN OTTO of Chicago

Patent Development Engineer, Member of Chicago Rocket Society, Pioneer Space Commentat
and Member of Saucers International -- who will speak on

"An Analysis of Latest Saucer Evidence"
(followed by audience participation from the floor)
WEDNESDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 22, 1954, at 7:30 P.M.

The Grand Ballroom, Veteran's Memorial Building, 151 West Jefferson

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ALSO Laura Marxer will introduce the leaders of eight neighborhood groups who already
looking up ... other sightings will be reported. Our petition to President Eisenhower
ready for your signature ... extra copies are on hand.

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THIS IS A SCOOP! A group of "HAM" operators, started within our Club, have made what
they are sure is a saucer contact. It will be reported by Don Thompson and his friend

Our club is fast becoming Detroit's most interesting factual program. In presenting Mr. Otto, we are bringing a speaker who has just returned from an eastern lecture tour where the S-R-O sign was out in New York City, following his broadcast interview over Mutual Station WOR. His talk will be illustrated. If you have heard him, you know t as a lecturer John Otto ranks among the best. Bring your friends. Incidentally: Keep your eye out for our own Detroit Flying Saucer Club magazine arriving soon!

Contribution $1.00

Henry Maday, Chairman

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Cleburne, Texas 76031

Dear Mr[redacted]

Your letter of July 16th has been received.

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For your information, the investigation of Unidentified Flying Objects is not and never has been a matter that is within the investigative jurisdiction of the FBI. I can assure you the photograph you mentioned does not represent employees of this Bureau and the FBI has never had custody of an occupant from a foreign planet.

Enclosed are some booklets pertaining to our activities which I hope you will enjoy reading.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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COMM-FBI

Enclosures (2)
Know your FBI
Story of the FBI

NOTE: Correspondent is not identifiable in Bufiles. The Bureau has had other inquiries concerning this photograph. The article which appeared in a recent issue of this magazine purported to be an actual report of unidentified flying objects and has been brought to the attention of the Bureau previously. In view of the fictional aspects of the material and our relations with "Real" magazine no contact was made with the magazine regarding the representation of FBI Agents.

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[redacted]
Cleburne, Tex.
July 16, 1966

J. Edgar Hoover
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover,

Just recently I bought a copy of the magazine, "Real." This issue had a great deal of pictures about unidentified flying objects and it also had a photo of two F.B.I. agents leading a silver-clad man, about one and a half to two feet tall, down an american street. I know this sounds extraordinary, but this is what it had. The photo was probably faked but I wanted to be doubly sure. Please write me and tell me if there is any truth to this photo. Also this photo was first published by some odd chance in a Cologne, Germany newspaper.

Yours truly,

/s/ [redacted]

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JUL 22 1966

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La [redacted]rne, Tex.
July 16, 1964

J. Edgar Hoover
U.S. Department of Justice
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover,

Just recently I bought a copy of the magazine, "Real." This issue had a great deal of pictures about unidentified flying objects and it also had a photo of two F.B.I. agents leading a silver-clad man, about one and a half to two feet tall, down an american street. I know this sounds extraordinary, but this is what it had. The photo was probably faked but I wanted to be doubly sure. Please write me and tell me if there is any truth to this photo. Also this photo was first published by some odd chance in a Cologne, Germany newspaper.

Yours truly,

[redacted]

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July 20, 1966

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FBI

Mr. [redacted]
Pomona, California 91767

Dear Mr. [redacted]

I received your letter on July 15th, with enclosure, which is being returned herewith.

For your information, the investigation of Unidentified Flying Objects is not and never has been a matter that is within the investigative jurisdiction of the FBI. I can assure you the photograph which you forwarded does not represent employees of this Bureau and the FBI has never had custody of an occupant from a foreign planet.

MAILED 4
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COMM-FBI

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Enclosure

NOTE: Correspondent is not identifiable in Bufiles. Enclosure was a photograph of an apparently emaciated child holding the hand of two male adults. Relations with "Real" magazine have not been desirable. The article which appeared in a recent issue of this magazine purported to be an actual report of unidentified flying objects and has been brought to the attention of the Bureau previously. In view of the fictional aspects of the article and the relations with "Real" magazine no contact was made with the magazine regarding the representation of FBI Agents.

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July 9, 1966

Federal Bureau
of Investigation
Washington, D.C.

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Gentlemen:

Recently I found this picture in Real Magizine, Volume 17, Number 3, August 1966. It is as the magizine states a Cladion occupant from a foreign plant. The two men next this "Visitor" are F.B.I. Agents.

Could you please send me any information pertaining to this picture. I'd appreciate any information and/or pictures that you could possible send me.

Send it to:

[redacted]
Pomona, California
91767

Could you please return the picture that I am enclosing for it is the only one like it.

Thank you for any help
you could give me.

Sincerely Yours,

[redacted]

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CORRESPONDENCE

REC 20

April 15, 1966

62-83894-445

Mr. [redacted]

Raynham, Massachusetts 02767

Dear Mr. [redacted]

Your letter of April 11th has been received.

With respect to your inquiry, sightings of Unidentified Flying Objects are not a matter within the investigative jurisdiction of the FBI. Inasmuch as your communication is of interest to another governmental agency, I am referring a copy of it to the Office of Special Investigations, Department of the Air Force.

Sincerely yours,
J. Edgar Hoover

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MAILED 4
APR 15 1966
COMM-FBI

NOTE: [redacted] is not identifiable in Bufiles. Joseph F. Perry of Grand Blanc, Michigan, was contacted by Bureau Agents from our Detroit Office at his request in March, 1960, regarding photographs he had taken of what he believed to be unidentified flying objects. These photographs were turned over to the Office of Special Investigations of the United States Air Force by our Detroit Office. Perry reported to the local paper that the FBI was conducting an investigation and it was necessary for this Bureau to straighten the record with that newspaper. Perry was advised that we had furnished his photographs to the Air Force and he subsequently wrote to the Director in April, 1960, indicating he was looking forward to the completion of the Air Force analysis of his photographs and their return to him. A copy of his letter was referred to the Air Force for a reply to him.

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Raynha[redacted], Mass.
April 11, 1966

Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir: Flying Saucers

It is the responsibility of the Air Force's Project Blue Book to investigate and analyze UFO sightings. At times local or state law enforcement officials have been requested to make investigations of such cases.

After a number of recent sightings in Rehoboth, Mass., [redacted] announced that the FBI had questioned at least two of the witnesses.

GP.

I am also aware of similar past cases. The color photographs taken at Grand Blanc, Michigan by Joe Perry, amateur astronomer, on February 13, 1960 is one past case. After notifying the Air Force he was referred to the FBI and an investigation was conducted by two agents from the Flint office. The photographs were subsequently furnished to the Air Force for analysis.

What is the FBI's policy with respect to this matter of investigation of such cases? Is there an official FBI regulation pertaining to FBI UFO investigatory policy, and if so, I request a copy. If this is not possible could you please inform me as to the regulation number of such documents. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

[redacted]

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REC- 7 62-83894-141

April 28, 1965

[redacted]
Palatine, Illinois 60067

Dear Mr. [redacted]

Your letter of April 22nd, with enclosure, has been received.

In connection with your inquiry pertaining to unidentified flying objects, it is suggested that you correspond with the Director of Special Investigations, The Inspector General, Department of the Air Force, Washington, D. C. 20333.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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NOTE: Based on information furnished, correspondent could not be identified in Bufiles.

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LONG GROVES COUNTY CLUB ESTATES

F.B.I.
Gentlemen:

Please tell me the name and address of the Bureau or agency that investigates unidentified flying objects

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Respectfully,

[redacted]

Home address: [redacted]
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CORRESPONDENCE

[redacted]

Talladega, Ala.
February 21, 1963

Dear Sir:

I am writing to ask about Flying Saucer reading material that is being sent through the mail. I am wondering if some of this Material might be communist inspired, or is it alright to receive. If you would please send me a list that might be subversive I would appreciate it - since I certainly do not want to receive any such communists inspired material.

Yours Truly,

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February 26, 1965

Mr. [redacted]
[redacted]
Talladega, Alabama

Dear Mr. [redacted]

Your letter of February 21st has been received.

In response to your request, I would like to point out that information in our files must be maintained as confidential pursuant to regulations of the Department of Justice. I am, however, enclosing a copy of a list of organizations designated as subversive by the Department of Justice.

Sincerely yours,

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Enclosure
List of Subversive Organizations

NOTE: Correspondent is not identifiable in Bufiles.

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[redacted]
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February 21, 1963

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Yours Truly,

[redacted]

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[redacted]
South Kensington
London, S.W. 7, England

Dear Mr. [redacted]

Your letter of January 20th has been received.

In response to your inquiry, the FBI has not conducted an investigation as you mentioned inasmuch as this would not come within our investigative jurisdiction. The presence of an Agent was simply to determine whether or not any violation may have occurred in which the FBI would have an interest, and for no other reason.

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While I would like to be of assistance to you, the files of the FBI must be maintained as confidential in accordance with regulations of the Department of Justice and are available for official use only. In view of this, I am sure you will understand why I cannot be of any further assistance in this instance.

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Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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1 - Albuquerque - Enclosure
1 - Mr. Sullivan - Enclosure
1 - Foreign Liaison Unit - Enclosure

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Mr. [redacted]

NOTE: Bufiles reflect that an unidentified flying object was sighted near Socorro, New Mexico, on April 24, 1964. Captain [redacted] United States Air Force, along with SA [redacted]., interviewed one [redacted] of the [redacted] who had observed the phenomena. SA [redacted] typed such a statement from [redacted] which was later included in a memo for dissemination. The Albuquerque Office did not conduct any investigation other than to keep the Bureau advised and maintain liaison with the Air Force. This is apparently the situation to which the correspondent is referring. Bufiles contain no information identifiable with the correspondent.

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Miss Gandy

January 20, 1965

My ref. 11-4

Re: Unidentified Flying Objects.

Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington 25, D.C.

FLYING SAUCER

Dear Sirs,

Would you be so kind as to advise me whether or not it is the usual procedure for agents of the FBI to investigate reports of unidentified flying objects which have been seen on the ground.

In several recent cases, agents of the FBI have been present when USAF investigators from local AFBs in the vicinity of the landing site have carried out their investigations. Would you also advise me whether it would be possible to obtain copies of reports made by agents of their findings. One case which I do have a personal interest in was the La Madera April 26, 1964 case where a [redacted] age 35, of La Madera and Santa Fe, New Mexico, reported to [redacted] that he had observed an unidentified object approximately 500 feet from his home. The following day, Agent [redacted] of the FBI and Major [redacted] of Kirtland AFB in Albuquerque inspected the site. Can you advise me of Agent [redacted] findings at the site?.

I realise that your department is probably more concerned with federal crime, however, I cannot understand why it has concerned itself with cases which are normally undertaken by the USAF as a matter of National Defence.

This letter is not intended as a letter of criticism but more of a general inquiry.

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Trusting that this will receive your early attention.

EX 109 rs faithfully,

[redacted]

November 16, 1964

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[redacted]
Orange, Texas 77631

Dear Mr. [redacted]

Your letter of November 9th, with enclosure, has been received.

While I would like to be of assistance in connection with your inquiry, I must advise that information contained in the files of the FBI is confidential and available only for official use, pursuant to regulations of the Department of Justice. Please do not infer either that we do or do not have information of the type you mentioned. I hope you will understand my inability to be of aid.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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Attention SAC: Bufiles contain nothing identifiable regarding Harold T. Wilkins or his book, "Flying Saucers On The Attack."

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Monday, November 9, 1964
[redacted]
Orange, Texas 77631

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Department of Justice
9th Street and Pennsylvania Ave.
Washington, D. C.

O
Flying Saucers

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Enclosed with this letter is a sheet of condensed facts concerning two supposed visitors from outer space, which is taken from Harold T. Wilkins book "Flying Saucers On The Attack." Since the F. B. I. was reportedly involved in the investigation I would like to know if the story concerning the supposed visit is true, a possiblity, or just plain science fiction.

If the story is true and/or if the F. B. I. has a report on this case in its files, I would appreciate a copy of that report. If it is impossible to forward me a complete copy of the report please send a summary of the report.

I realize this story sounds fantastic but I would appreciate a reply, since it is actually suppose to have occurred.

Sincerely yours,

[redacted]

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CORRESPONDENCE

FACTS concerning two mysterious visitors from outer space as reported in Harold T. Wilkins "Flying Saucers On The Attack," published by Citadel Press (New York) 1954.

INTRODUCTORY REMARKS: Concerns two men hired on or about January 20, 1953 in Los Angeles, California by official in attorneys office concerned with tracing lost and missing persons (legal inquiry bureau).

THEIR (visitors) STORY: They came from another planet about the middle of December 1952. They landed on Mojove (or Mohove) Desert in a small flying saucer, 200 miles east of Los Angeles. They learned to speak English by listening (persumably in outer space?) to broadcasts of radio and television.

CHARACTERISTICS:: a) 6 foot 6 inches in height; b) emaciated; c) not well clothed; d) bluish-green in complexion; e) prick ears; and f) extremely successful investigators.

ADDITIONAL FACTS: One of the above mentioned two men leaned over steel top of filing cabinet and with his curiously curved hand, made an indentation in the steel at least ½ inch deep. The indented steel was sent to a metallurgical chemist, who said that, to produce such indentation, would require a force of some 2,000 lbs. to the inch. He also added that traces of more than a dozen unknown elements were found in the dents.

CONCLUDING REMARKS: a) It was reported that the F.B.I. sent several agents to investigate these two men, but by the time the agents arrived the two visitors from outer space had disappeared (in mid Feb - ruary 1953.)

b) The steel filing cabinet is suppose to be locked in a vault.

c) The story is suppose to have been related to the author, Wilkins, by a Los Angeles reporter, who wished to remain anonymous.

The above is a condensed version of the facts presented in an article , which appeared in the apendix of the previously mentioned Harold T. Wilkins' book.

Sincerely yours,

[redacted]

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July 13, 1964

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REC'D-READING ROOM
FBI

[redacted]
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Dear [redacted]

Your letter of July 5th has been received.

It has been the FBI's long-standing policy not to conduct investigations regarding information this Bureau receives about unidentified flying objects since such matters are not within our jurisdiction. All such data is immediately sent to the Department of the Air Force for its consideration.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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COMM-FBI

NOTE: Bufiles contain nothing derogatory concerning [redacted] and we have had one prior communication from him in which he requested an article by the Director for inclusion in a publication he was inaugurating in connection with his organization. His request was refused. Bufiles reflect that an individual who claimed to have sighted an unknown flying object was interviewed by a representative of this Bureau in the company of a United States Air Force officer. The individual interviewed was a police officer of the [redacted] No additional investigation was conducted by this Bureau with regard to that incident. Correspondent was not advised that a copy of his communication was sent to the Department of the Air Force since he indicates he has special authorization to review Air Force files. We do not know whether or not this is true and it is believed a copy should be sent to the Air Force in order that they will be placed on notice that this correspondent is making this statement to obtain information from other agencies. Referral made by form.

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[redacted] [redacted]

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA.

July 5, 1964

Mr. John Edgar Hoover
Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Again thank you for your letter of August 31, 1959.

The [redacted] has been investigating UFO and flying saucer sightings since August 1958. We have a State Representative in most of the 50 states, and in seven foreign countries. We have a Scientific Panel of known scientist and a Technical Advisory Board of known saucer researchers.

I have received special authorization from the Department of the Air Force in Washington to visit Wright Patterson Air Force Base in Dayton, Ohio for the purpose of viewing the Air Force Files on their saucer investigation since 1948. Among the sightings we are interested in is one recent one, Soccorro, New Mexico, April 25, 1964. This sighting was observed by several different people in different towns in New Mexico. According to the AP, it was stated that the FBI was investigating this sighting.

Would it be possible to obtain the results of your investigation? I was appreciate any information you could give us.

Thank you. Trusting to hear from you in the near future.

Very truly yours,

[redacted]

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Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. DeLoach

DATE: 5-23-64

FROM : [redacted]

SUBJECT: [redacted]
NEWPORT NEWS, VIRGINIA
ARTICLE ON UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

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BACKGROUND:

On 5-21-64 the Department of Defense delivered at the Bureau a manuscript by captioned individual entitled "Let's Challenge the UFO (Unidentified Flying Objects) Censors." The Department of the Army, according to the transmittal form from the Department of Defense, has no objection to the publication of the article. The FBI's attention was directed to page 6. Also included with the manuscript was a copy of the author's transmittal letter to the Department of the Army stating he would like to know the name, rank/grade, title and office of each person who actually conducts the review of [redacted]'s article. A review of the article revealed it is a criticism of the Department of Defense's policy with regard to issuing clearances of articles relative to Unidentified Flying Objects (UFO), particularly when the author is employed by the U. S. Army as in the case of Bryant. The article is in essence a history of [redacted] problems in getting articles published on UFO.

References to the FBI are as follows: On page 2, [redacted] indicates he will reveal the role played by the FBI in monitoring UFO research activities of Army civilian employees. On page 6, [redacted] refers to his being interviewed on 9-17-63 by Special Agent [redacted] of our Norfolk Office. [redacted] states SA [redacted] contacted him in response to [redacted] letter of 7-23-63 to the Sheriff of Sussex County, Virginia, requesting UFO sighting data. [redacted] alleged that SA [redacted] inquired about [redacted] letter to the [redacted] as well as to a similar letter dated 8-8-63 to the Commander of the Norfolk, Virginia, Naval Base. [redacted] claims he asked SA [redacted] if it was customary for the FBI to question people who expressed an interest in UFO. SA [redacted] replied in the negative and added that "Since his office was queried by the addressees of the two letters he was just seeking information on which he could write a 'memorandum for the files.'" [redacted] also states that SA [redacted] volunteered the following: "If the FBI has any such data (on UFO sightings), it is probably of an intelligence nature and thus would be unavailable to the public and to private individuals."

INFORMATION IN BUREAU FILES:

[redacted]

Bureau files reveal an inquiry from [redacted] to the Director in February, 1959, regarding the investigation of UFO. He was informed the FBI does not investigate matters of this nature and the jurisdiction of UFO is within the Department of the Air Force.

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By letter dated 9/17/63, [redacted] advised he had been interviewed on that date by SA [redacted] (Senior Resident Agent, Newport News, Virginia, assigned Norfolk Office, EOD 2/2/48, GS-13) regarding [redacted] interest in reports of sightings of UFO According to [redacted] stated he was contacting him in connection with his inquiries and that he intended to prepare "a memorandum for the files." [redacted] requested a copy of SA [redacted] memorandum. Prior to responding to [redacted] the Norfolk Office advised as follows: [redacted] has directed a voluminous amount of correspondence to military officials in the area and as [redacted] was employed by the Departm of the Army, Fort Eustis, Virginia, the G-2 Section of the Second Army, Fort Meade, Maryland, was conducting a background check of [redacted] The Norfolk Office was in receipt of several letters directed to other government agencies which were subsequently forwarded to the Norfolk Office. This included a letter to the Commandin Officer, Headquarters, Aircraft Fleet, Atlantic U. S. Naval Base, Norfolk, Virginia, 6/15/60; Commanding Officer, Cape Charles Air Force Station, Cape Charles, Virgini 8/7/58; Commander, U. S. Naval Base, Norfolk, Virginia, 8/8/63; [redacted] postmarked Fort Eustis, Virginia, 7/23/63.

[redacted] was interviewed on 9/7/63 by SA [redacted] in order to obtain background information concerning him in order to reply to the correspondence from the [redacted] and the U. S. Naval Base, Norfolk, Virginia, mentioned above. At the conclusion of the interview, [redacted] wanted to know what would be done about the information he furnished SA [redacted] at which time he was told that the information he furnished would be made a matter of record in FBI files.

[redacted] was subsequently advised by in-absence letter of 9/27/63 that the confidential nature of our files would preclude complying with his request (the copy of S [redacted] memorandum concerning his interview with [redacted]

It appears that the reference to the FBI on page 6 of [redacted] manuscript is not completely true. However, it has the effect of leaving the wrong impression; the FBI was not investigating [redacted] but was merely interviewing him in order to respond to inquiries directed to us from other agencies. SA [redacted] did not interview [redacted] merely for the purpose of writing "a memorandum for the files" but that his interview of [redacted] would be made a matter of record in FBI files. Also, the phraseology used by [redacted] regarding SA [redacted]' reference to the confidential nature of FBI files could be misleading. These points should be brought to the attention of the Department of Defense.

RECOMMENDATION:

That [redacted] manuscript on UFO be returned to the Department of Defense by our liaison representative with that agency at which time that agency can be informe that the FBI does not agree with [redacted] portrayal of his interview by the FBI or his misrepresentation of the Bureau's role in investigating of UFO. However, the Department of Defense should not attribute these comments to the FBI and we are deferring to their judgments as to authorizing publication of the article. 6-5-64 [redacted]

[redacted]

by

[redacted]

Before you see this article in print, it will have been submitted to appropriate Defense Department authorities for security review and clearance. Why? Because, under U. S. Army regulations, its author is in duty bound to have its contents examined for adherence to accuracy, propriety, and security. And the process applies not just to this article, but to any others he might write on the military aspect of Unidentified Flying Objects.

While employed as a Department of the Army civilian, I have been writing for the past six years unofficial critiques of the Federal Government's role in UFO research. I have confronted and withstood the obvious objections to my writing on such a controversial subject (e.g., "biting the hand that feeds you"), and I can only say to my detractors: "Someone must do it. Someone must challen the UFO censors, assuming they exist." Proof of their existence has been offered by at least two of my previousl cleared manuscripts and by one that failed to hurdle the review-clearance obstacle. As to exactly how much longer I can speak out freely for what I believe without bringing

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the censors directly upon my head is your guess.

Meantime, if this gets cleared, you may share in this, my latest quasi-official challenge. You will share by becoming informed of the existing policies and methodology of the Defense Department's public information program -- that part of the program which covers the revie clearance of manuscripts written for personal publication by the department's employees. You will share in my evaluation of the roles played by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Army's intelligence body (G-2) in monitoring the UFO research activities of an Army civilian employee.

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We return first to 1958, to Fort Monroe, Va., headquarters of the U. S. Continental Army Command (USCONARC), where I was employed for two years. As part of my early interest in aerial phenomena, I had an unofficial notice published in the Fort Monroe Daily Bulletin for September 22, 1958. The notice requested USCONARC personnel to repo their UFO sightings to me for analysis. It developed that fulfillment of my request would be in violation of two classified Army directives covering the official processin

of such reports. During my ensuing interrogation by t
Army Counter-Intelligence Corps members at Fort Monroe
became fully aware that UFO's, or flying saucers, were
being treated with grave respect by our military intel
experts; so, I decided to reveal their official, behin
scenes attitude to the public, doing so in a lengthy r
issued in 1960. The report [1] had taken five months to
the rounds of the review-clearance mill, but was final
cleared for publication in February 1960.

Despite a subsequent admonition from the Civilian
Personnel Officer at Fort Monroe to give up my campaig
seeking the truth about UFO secrecy, I have continued
amass evidence against the censors. And the censors s
persist in making themselves unknown? known) to me. It is certa
a vicious cycle of verbal pushing and pulling, with th
victor of the conflict being not really myself or the
censors but you readers, who represent the general pub

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The next episode concerns a draft newspaper "lett
to the editor" that I wrote in the spring of 1959, and
I duly submitted to USCONARC for review and clearance.
USCONARC declined to clear the manuscript, asserting,
other things, the following nonconcurrences:

(1) "The 'official censorship, ridicule and silence' as stated are not true, nor is the statement 'conceal vital UFO data'. Instead it would be more correct to state that the policy of the Department of Defense is not to release UFO data not substantiated by fact.

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(2) "Inference is made of chastism in efforts to obtain information about UFO when in fact the control of such information follows an established policy. The Department of Defense must maintain such controls to insure that data released is based on fact."

(3) "Attempts to extract UFO data from this headquarters [USCONARC] cannot be met. Suggest contact be made with . . . the U. S. Air Force. Any matter received should be considered privileged information and not for release to the public.

(4) "The statements contained herein are not an attempt at 'censorship'. The Army encourages its . . . personnel to speak and write, as long as they stick to the facts, do not reveal classified information, and meet standards of propriety." 2

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Shortly after I transferred from Fort Monroe to the U. S. Army Transportation School at Fort Eustis, Va. I again pulled my end of our tug of war. I wanted to squelch rumors that UFO's were secret terrestrial weapon Pursuing this angle, I wrote privately to the Combat Dev ment agency at Eustis on March 13, 1960, and asked wheth they had been engaged in producing or testing a saucer-like craft during the 1952 sighting crisis. I never got an answer; instead the post G-2, Col. [redacted] summoned me to his office and instructed me to explain the motives for my inquiry.

After assuring [redacted]hat I had not intended to undermine local security measures, but had merely posed an honest question, he recommended I be more prudent in the future. Here, we mustn't reproach Col. [redacted] too severely, because his job was to abide by the military intelligence axiom of "never underestimate a potential enemy." This axiom no doubt inspired the following Eustis policy, a policy which was probably the basis for [redacted] investigation:

> "A great part of the information sought by people who do not have the best interests of the United States at heart is obtained from unclassified sources through apparently innocent requests. Any unusual request for information concerning the installation, our personnel, or other data, should be brought to the attention of the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2."[2]

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You may see now that the sources as well as the fruit of my UFO research are subject to scrutiny by all interest authorities. This fact became even clearer several months ago when I was finishing the groundwork for my recently published article, "A Hard Look at UFO News Management," 4 which was cleared by the Defense Department on October 10, 1963.

Here is how it began. On July 23, 1963, I wrote to the [redacted] Va., requesting any UFO sighting data that he might possess. While on duty at Fort Eustis the afternoon of September 17, I received a 10-minute visit from local FBI agent [redacted]. Not only did [redacted] inquire about the Sussex letter, but also about a similar letter I sent on August 8, 1963, to the Commander of the Norfolk (Va.) Naval Base. Upon furnishing [redacted] the information he desired on my Civil Service position and my UFO writings, I asked if it were customary for the FBI to interrogate anybody who expresses an interest in UFO's. He said no, that since his office was queried by the addressees of the two letters he was just seeking information on which he could write a "memorandum for the files." [redacted] volunteered the following: "If the FBI has any such data /on UFO sightings/, it is probably of an intelligence nature and thus would be unavailable to the public and to private individuals."

Again, the "authorities" have shown a serious, persuasive concern about the writings of a private citizen on objects which supposedly do not warrant such attention — objects which, of are identifiable for the most part as natural aerial phenomena or s other familiar, harmless manifestation.

How can the over-all review-clearance system be manipulated by UFO censors? Take as an authoritative answer the following excerpt from a letter written to me by a local USAF official:

> ". . . Chapter 4, Section B, paragraph 2a(7), of Air Force Manual 190-4, 6 June 1960, says in part: 'When the . . . manuscript concerns military subjects, national, or foreign affairs, it will be submitted to SAF-OI to review for accuracy, propriety . . . and to obtain final clearance from the Department of Defense. This policy applies to Air Force active duty personnel, retired personnel, civilian employees, and members of the civilian components.' SAF-OI is the symbol for the Office of Information, Secretary of the Air Force.
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> "Another directive, Air Force Regulation 200-2, governs activities as they relate to Unidentified Flying Objects. This regulation says only that base Information Officers may examine manuscripts which are submitted to them to be sure they are factual and accurate. The same groups of persons as indicated above, according to this regulation, may not use Air Force material on Unidentified Flying Objects for their writings." [5]

Quite a challenge, isn't it? But as long as you and I are wil to meet it, there is still the hope that the censors will admit def and capitulate. You may be asking yourself, "If the censors do exi then why is [redacted] allowed to continue publishing his manuscripts?" That has been my question, too, and the only solution I can offer i that freedom of information has yet to perish entirely in America.

REFERENCES

1. From Within the Blackout: An Analysis of Secrecy on the Local UFO Scene; dated April 1, 1960; 52 pp., mimeographed, published by the Air Research Group, 5603 Madison Avenue, Newport News, Va. 23605.

2. Contained in an interoffice Disposition Form, titled "Request for Clearance to Publish Letter-to-the Editor." The two-page reply originated from the USCONARC Information Section on August 26, 1959, and was written by a Mr. [redacted] and signed by Col. [redacted]

3. As prescribed by the Fort Eustis Daily Bulletin for March 9, 1964.

4. Fate Magazine (Evanston, Ill.), February 1964.

5. The letter is dated October 3, 1963; it is signed by Lt. Col. [redacted] U. S. Air Force Tactical Air Command, Langley Air Force Base, Va.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 5/5/64

FROM : SAC, ALBUQUERQUE (62-1028) (C)

SUBJECT: UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT
SOCORRO, NEW MEXICO
APRIL 24, 1964
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING
(NATIONALITIES INTELLIGENCE)

Re Albuquerque airtel to Bureau, 4/28/64, and Bureau airtel to Albuquerque, 4/28/64.

As noted in Albuquerque airtel, Captain [redacted]. [redacted], Stallion Range Center, Socorro, N. M., was immediately advised, 4/24/64, of the facts in this case. He observed the site of the incident, 4/24/64, and made measurements while SA [redacted] JR. was placing rocks around the four earth indentations and around one other mark at the site.

Late 4/24/64 and into 4/25/64, Captain [redacted], who is with the U. S. Air Force, and [redacted] interviewed [redacted] [redacted] of the [redacted].

SA [redacted] typed up a statement like account from [redacted] as given by [redacted] under lengthy interrogation. Captain [redacted] diagramed his measurements of the scene.

Early 4/25/64, Captain [redacted] and SA [redacted] delivered the original and a copy of [redacted]s statements and Captain [redacted] diagrams to the authorities at Stallion Site, approximately 30 miles southeast of Socorro.

Two letterhead memorandums are enclosed, one from Officer [redacted] and one of observations of SA [redacted]. Also enclosed is a copy of charts made by Captain [redacted] of the pertinent area.

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Calls concerning subject matter are being referred immediately to Major [redacted], Kirtland Air Force Base, Albuquerque.

Date: 4/28/64

Transmit the following in PLAIN
(Type in plaintext or code)

AIRTEL AIRMAIL
Via
(Priority)

Flying Saucers

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, ALBUQUERQUE (62-1028) (P)

RE: UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT,
SOCORRO, NEW MEXICO,
4/24/64
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Re Albuquerque teletypes to the Bureau 4/25/64 and 4/27/64.

[redacted] OSI, Kirtland Air Force Base (KAFB), Albuquerque, New Mexico, on 4/26/64, advised that he cannot explain the observations described by [redacted] at Socorro, New Mexico. b6

[redacted] Safety Officer, KAFB, Albuquerque, advised that he is the proper officer to handle such reports.

[redacted] advised that he and [redacted] had examined the site at Socorro, New Mexico, and interviewed [redacted] They were impressed by [redacted] sincerity. They noted no radio activity at the site. They cannot explain [redacted] observations. He did learn that the New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology at Socorro does some blasting in its work, however, their blasting was not in the area of this incident. b6

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Approved: 112 Sent M Per
Special Agent in Charge

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[redacted] on 4/27/64, advised that on 4/26/64, he had met [redacted] at Santa Fe, New Mexico, and both proceeded to La Madera, New Mexico, to check out [redacted] observations. He stated that at the scene there was still some smoldering material. He noted that there was miscellaneous rubbish in the area and the site may have been a dump at one time. In his opinion, some material, such as a can of paint, could have caught fire and exploded. He also noted that [redacted] had an odor of alcohol about him. [redacted] stated he would advise the FBI, Albuquerque, of any pertinent developments. b6

It may be noted that New Mexico State Police Sergeant M. S. CHAVEZ and Socorro County Undersheriff JIM LUCKIE on 4/24/64, advised that they answered [redacted] radio calls and went to the site quickly. They noted several small burning areas at the site and the indentations. No one else was noted in the area. [redacted], a well regarded and capable [redacted] was noted to be perfectly sober and thoroughly frightened. b6

SA D. ARTHUR BYRNES, JR. was at Socorro, New Mexico, 4/24/64, and had noted the four irregular burned spots and the four indentations at the site. SA BYRNES immediately advised Captain R. T. HOLDER, Up Range Commander, Stallion Range Center, Socorro, New Mexico. Captain HOLDER, along with [redacted] and SA BYRNES checked the Socorro site and interviewed [redacted] at length. [redacted] observations were taken in the form of a statement. A copy of this lengthy statement is retained at the Albuquerque FBI Office as well as a small sample of charred material taken at the scene. b6

An unusual observation made at the Socorro scene was that there appeared to be no "blast" effects. Between the burned spots were unburned areas, including patches of unburned brown range grass.

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It may be noted that Captain HOLDER immediately contacted proper military personnel concerning this incident.

Liaison will be maintained with [redacted] who b6 advised he has received several more reported incidents to which he will give attention.

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Date: 4/28/64

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Liaison will be maintained with [redacted] who advised he has received several more reported incidents to which he will give attention.

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To: SAC, Albuquerque

W From: Director, FBI

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UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT
SOCORRO, NEW MEXICO
APRIL 24, 1964
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING
(NATIONALITIES INTELLIGENCE)

Reurtel 4/25/64. Assure facts this matter are furnished to local Air Force. Submit letterhead memorandum.

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NOTE: [redacted] described as sober, dependable, mature, and not known to engage in flights of fantasy reported seeing an unidentified flying object rise from the earth with a roar, emitting bluish and orange flames and disappear over a distant mountain. When he reported his observations, representatives of the local law enforcement agencies searched the scene and noted four small irregularly shaped smouldering areas and four regular depressed areas at the site. The unidentified flying object was described as oval shaped; about twenty feet long; with a red insignia; there is no indication in the referenced teletype that Air Force had been advised. Our policy is not to investigate but assure that Air Force is cognizant. Military is investigating and Albuquerque Office is maintaining liaison.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM SAC, ALBUQUERQUE 62-NEW

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION
APR 25 1964
TELETYPE

Tele. Room
Mr. H
Miss Gandy

[redacted]

UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT; SOCORRO, N.M. APR TWENTY FOUR, SIXTYFOUR INFORMATION CONCERNING.

INFORMATION RECEIVED APR TWENTY FOUR AND TWENTY FIVE, FROM [redacted] CONSIDERED SOBER, DEPENDABLE, MATURE, NOT OF FANTASY, [redacted] SOCORRO, N.M. THAT AT ABOUT FIVE FIFTY PM MST, WHILE IN SOUTH AREA OF SOCORRO NOTED FLAME IN SKY TO SOUTHWEST, WHICH HE DECIDED TO CHECK OUT IN BELIEF DYNAMITE SHACK IN AREA HAD BLOWN UP.

WHILE TRAVELING IN ISOLATED AREA APPROXMATELY ONE MILE SOUTH AREA OF SOCORRO, NOTED IN DEPRESSION ABOUT EIGHT HUNDRED FEET AWAY WHITISH OBJECT WHICH, UPON GLANCING AT SAME, APPEARED TO BE OVERTURNED AUTOMOBILE. TWO PERSONS IN APPARENT WHITE COVERALLS WERE ADJACENT TO OBJECT.

THEN TRAVELED OVER ROUGH ROAD TO SPOT ABOUT ONE HUNDRED THREE FEET FROM OBJECT AND ABOUT TWENTY TO TWENTY FIVE FEET HIGHER. NO PERSONS VISIBLE. HEARD TWO OR THREE LOUD THUMPS, LESS THAN A SECOND APART, THEN WITH A ROAR AND BLUISH AND ORANGE FLAMES, OBJECT SLOWLY VERTICALLY ROSE TO ABOUT CAR HEIGHT, THEN NOISE AND FLAME STOPPED AND OBJECT TOOK OFF AT HIGH SPEED IN STRAIGHT LINE AND ALMOST HOROZONTALLY TO DISAPPEAR OVER DISTANT MOUNTAIN.

[redacted] GREATLY FRIGHTENED, RADIOED HIS OBSERVATIONS AND [redacted] [redacted] AND [redacted], QUICKLY ON SCENE, NOTED FOUR SMALL IRREGULARLY SHAPED SMOULDERING AREAS AND FOUR REGULAR DEPRESSED AREAS APPROXIMATELY SIXTEEN BY SIX INCHES IN

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MR. MOHR FOR THE DIRECTOR

RECTANGULAR TYPE PATTERN AVERAGING ABOUT TWELVE FEET APART.

[redacted] STATES OBJECT WAS OVAL SHAPED, SIMILAR TO FOOTBALL, POSSIBLY TWENTY FEET LONG, AND HAD A RED INSIGNIA ABOUT THIRTY INCHES HIGH AND TWO FEET WIDE, CENTERED ON OBJECT. NO OTHER WITNESSES KNOWN TO NOISE, FLAME OR OBJECT.

[redacted] COMMANDER, STALLION RANGE CENTER, SOCORRO, N.M., ADVISED AT ONCE APRIL TWENTY FOUR AND IS HANDLING.

MILITARY PRESENTLY CONDUCTING OPERATION KNOWN AS CLOUD GAP WHICH IS JOINT OPERATION DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE AND ARMY CONTROL, DISARMAMENT AGENCY IN SOUTHWEST STATES INCLUDING NEW MEXICO. NOT KNOWN IF ABOVE INCIDENT RELATES TO CLOUD GAP.

CONSIDERABLE INTEREST OF PRESS IN MATTER. ALBUQUERQUE CONDUCTING NO INVESTIGATION, IS MAINTAINING LIAISON WITH MILITARY. BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED OF ANY PERTINENT DEVELOPMENTS.

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cc Dr Roach

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION
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Mr. Mohr
Mr. Casper
Mr. Callahan
Mr. Evans
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Miss Holmes
Miss Gandy

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FBI WASH DC

3:06 AM MST DEFERRED 4/27/64 JNS

TO DIRECTOR

FROM ALBUQUERQUE 62-1028 3P

UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS, SOCORRO, N.M., APRIL TWENTYFOUR SIXTYFOUR INFORMATION CONCERNING.

RE ALBUQUERQUE TEL FOUR TWENTYFIVE LAST.

OSI, ALBUQUERQUE ADVISES INCIDENT NOT KNOWN TO BE CONNECTED WITH MILITARY OR OPERATION CLOUD GAP.

AN ADDITIONAL INCIDENT HAS BEEN REPORTED AS HAPPENING AT ONE AM, FOUR TWENTYSIX LAST, AT LA MADERIA, N.M., ABOUT SEVENTY MILES NORTH OF SANTA FE, N.M.

& APPROX. 1119

[redacted] ESPANOLA, N.M., ADVISES HE INTERVIEWED ONLY KNOWN WITNESS, [redacted] AGE THIRTYFIVE, SOBER AND FRIGHTENED, OF SANTA FE, N.M. [redacted] WAS VISITING HIS FATHER [redacted] AT LA MADERIA. [redacted] WENT OUT TO TEND SOME NOISY HORSES AT ABOUT ONE AM, FOUR TWENTYSIX LAST AND NOTED, LOCATED ABOUT THREE HUNDRED FEET FROM HOUSE, SOMETHING SHAPED LIKE A BUTANE TANK, POSSIBLY TWELVE TO FOURTEEN FEET HIGH, AND "LONG AS A TELEPHONE POLE". APPARENTYLY ON THE GROUND AND SURRONDED WITH

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MR. MOHR FOR THE DIRECTOR

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BLUE WHITE FLAME, WHICH APPEARED TO COME FROM PORT HOLES.

HE WATCHED SCENE FOR ABOUT ONE MINUTE, WHEN FLAME WENT OUT. OBJECT NOT NOTED TO MOVE, WAS SILENT AT ALL TIMES, [redacted] WNET INTO HOUSE, TOLD FATHER, WHO LAUGHED AT HIM. NEW MORNING HE VISISTED SITE., SAW SMOLDERING AREA. LATER IN DAY SAW A STATE POLICE OFFICER AND RELATED INCIDENT TO HIM.

[redacted] CONTINUED THAT HE CHECKED SITE AT SEVEN THIRTY PM FOUR TWENTYSIX LAST, NOTED SCORCHED CIRCULAR AREA ABOUT THIRTY TO FORTY FEET IN DIAMETER. HE NOTED ONE RECTANGULAR, V SHAPED INDENTATION IN GROUND, EIGHT BY TWELVE INCHES, AND ABOUT THREE TO FOUR INCHES DEEP. [redacted], WHO WAS THERE EARLIER, POINTED TO PLACES@ OF THREE MORE INDENTATIONS, INDICATING THE INDENTATIONS WERE RECTANGULAR.

[redacted] URTHER STATED HE ~~S~~SAW SEVERAL SMOOTH CIRCULAR PRINTS ON GROUND ABOUT THREE AND ONE HALF INCHES IN DIAMETER AT SITE.

NO OTHER WITNESSES KNOWN TO HAVE OBSERVED THE OBJECT.

PROPER MILITARY AUTHORITIES AT KERTLAND AFB, ALBUQUERQUE

ADVISED. NO INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED BY FBI, ALBUQUERQUE. LIAISON BEING MAINTAINED.

MILITARY OFFICERS CONTACTED ADVISE THE TWO INCIDENTS REPORTED ARE NOT A PART OF A MILITARY EXERCISE TO THEIR KNOWLEDGE AND TO DATE HAVE NO EXPLANATION.

BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED OF ANY PERTENENT DEVELOPMENTS.

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CC- Mr. DeLoach

REC-18 62-83894-434

January 22, 1964

ST-103

Mr. [redacted]
Wickliffe, Ohio 44092

Dear Mr. [redacted]

I have received your letter of January 15th.

In response to your inquiry, I cannot speak for the Central Intelligence Agency; however, the FBI has not conducted an investigation such as you mentioned inasmuch as this would not come within our investigative jurisdiction.

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FBI

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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NOTE: Correspondent is not identifiable in Bufiles.

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[redacted]
Wickliffe, Ohio 44092

Jan. 15, 1964

FBI
Office of Public Information
Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Sir;

A research group that I am in is presently engaged in the study of the subject of UFOs (Unidentified Flying Objects), sometimes ludicrous-ly termed "flying saucers".

Since our research takes us into every aspect of the subject, certain rumors and statements appear which we feel justify an examination to the fullest. One such statement is that, certain federal agencies, namely the FBI and CIA, have carried on private investigations of UFOs and/or that such agencies have, at times, worked in conjunction with the Air Force on its own study of the subject. Another such statement is that, agents of the intelligence bureaus (FBI and CIA) have, at times, pressured private citizens to keep quiet about the "mysterious objects" that they saw.

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My group would be very glad if your agency would either confirm or deny the above statements regarding, of coarse, only the FBI and its agents (a similar letter to this will be written to the CIA). Your answer will be greatly appreciated.

ack 1-22-64 [illegible]

CORRESPONDENCE

Sincerely,

[redacted]

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Chiriaco Summi
Via Indio, Califo

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"Treasure Jewel of the Southwest"

- Nephrites
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"ROCKHOUND RARITIES"

- Pre-Jades
- Meta-Jadeites
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- Californite
- Precious Epidote
- Thulites
- Pastelites
- Cabbing Garnets
- Agatized Opalite
- Color & Wood Agates
- Spiderweb-lace Agate
- Jasper-Agate
- Cabbing Feldspars
- Color Chalcedonies
- Color Dolomites
- Moss-Adventurine
- Rose & Crystal Quartz
- Verde Antigue
- Serpentine
- Pyroxenite
- Wonderstone
- Magnetite
- Color Hematite
- Glossularite Crystals
- Diopside Crystals
- Actinolite
- All Combinations

STORM-JADE BUILDING & DECORATIVE STONE

- Massive Epidote
- Color Dolomites
- Light "Driftwood"
- Polka-Dot Monzonite
- Color Iron Ores

National Aeronautics And Space Administration
Office Of Scientific And Technical Information
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen: Flying Discs

I qualify myself as a layman, and amateur scientist in my own fields who have read your public documents, "Nuclear Rocket Propulsion," etc. I am also a person wh has seen several unidentified flying objects.—One of th saucer shape performed certain feats at incredible speed far beyond the power of any propulsion system which we currently use. I am also familiar with the reported sightings of such craft for many centuries and in variou places. I am also aware that the connecting link betwee energy and matter, the proton nucleous of hydrogen, was probably created by the electro-magnetic fusion of radio gallaxies in an original electron atmosphere. Quite naturally I have at various times researched pertinent subjects in an attempt to figure out how such interstell space craft operate. Perhaps I'm like a lot of others w can't see the forest because of the trees. Yet I may ha hit upon a workable system capable of being created with our present technology, materials and methods. In the interest of the United States first, I pass these on to They are embodied in a treatise upon which I am working, titled "The Worlds And You In The Making." I quote:

"Were the unseen passengers of these space craft th borne along on atomic fusion motors which burned element matter, hydrogen, from interstellar space? Could they u a hydrogen motor flow sheet which begins with hydrogen intakes and suction compressors into a liquid hydrogen f tank? That from this continually unlimited fuel reserve second stage compressors convert the hydrogen into an expanding gas fed into a second semi-ready heater tank, compressors upon each end to force the semi-ready fuel f from the tank's center. And into a "pod" of four therma reactors angled to fire to a central point behind outside thrust plates similiar to the feed end of a gaseous cavi reactor? That into this superheated hydrogen gas vortex another thermal reactor fires fissioning uranium vapor thereby creating the heat for controlled hydrogen fusion?

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"Or is it possible that hydrogen fusion motors are composed of so simple a thing as the four thermal reacto angled to fire to a central point closely behind the outs

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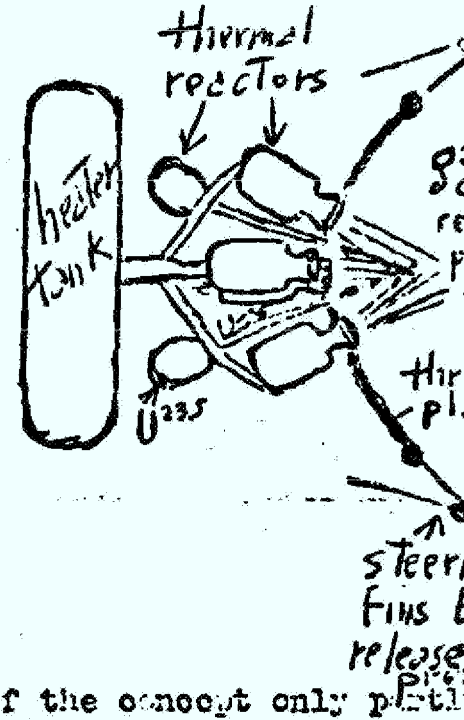
REFERENCE:—U. S. Bureau of Mines 1961—Minerals Yearbook—Vol. [illegible]

thrust plates. And that into the vastly superheated hydrogen
vortex side streams of hydrogen are impacted together by
accelerator guns to cause controlled fusion. Is it possible t
a saucer shaped craft with such motors fore and aft and upon e
side could hover, set down and take off upon the downward thru
of the upper exhausting reactors alone and otherwise perform s
instant changes in speed and direction as to leave human passe
unaffected by gravity considerations? Obviously these space
travelers must have surpassed our own evolutionary stage of
development by thousands of years. They were as far ahead of
with their sight-barrier-breaking space craft as our own jet p
are ahead of the Pharoh boats of five thousand years ago."

All this might boil down to the following concept combin
which involve (1) four thermal reactors fire to one point (2)
against an outside thrust plate from behind and similiar in
modified concept to the feed end of a gaseous cavity reactor,
(3) into which superheated hydrogen vortex fissioning uraniu
vapor is fed to cause controlled hydrogen fusion for propulsiv
power, or into which vortex streams of impacting hydrogen ato
are fired by accelerator guns.

A rough sketch, sufficient to convey the idea might look
this:



In this critical time, and even if the concept only partl
works, it may result, militarily, in being able to put an at
warhead on Moscow in a matter of minutes instead of hours.

Sincerely yours,

[redacted]

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GSA GEN. REG. NO. 27

UNITED STAT NMENT

Memorandum

TO	W. C. Sullivan	DATE:	10/4/63
FROM	W. R. Wannall		1 - Belmont 1 - Sullivan 1 - Wannall 1 - [redacted]
SUBJECT:	UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS (FLYING SAUCERS)		

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There appears to be no advantage to our continuing our yearly review of captioned matter.

In 1958 we adopted the practice of once a year reviewing complaints received concerning existence of flying saucers for the purpose of determining whether instructions in addition to those already issued to the field were necessary. The last memorandum dated 10/2/62 pointed out that our policy concerning unidentified flying objects was to conduct no investigation when received in the field but the field should submit the facts immediately to the Air Force. Our SAC Letters dated in 1949 and in 1952 emphasized the afore-mentioned policy and it does not appear that at this time further instructions to the field are necessary.

During the past 12 months we have received no complaints regarding flying saucers and during the past 24 months only one complaint was received, the facts of which were immediately referred to the Air Force.

ACTION:

Since it does not appear that continuation of our yearly review of the flying saucer situation is warranted, no further analysis or review of matters coming within this field will be conducted in the future. Action with respect to any complaints received, of course, will follow our policy.

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REC- 31

To: SAC, Norfolk [redacted]

From: Director, FBI [redacted]

EX-116

[redacted]
NEWPORT NEWS, VIRGINIA
RESEARCH (CORRESPONDENCE AND TOURS) [redacted]
BUDED 9-25-63

REC'D-READING ROOM
FBI
SEP 20 8 AM '63

Enclosed are two copies of a letter from the above individual. You should submit a summary of information in your files pertaining to [redacted] This should include an account of his interview with Special Agent [redacted]

This information should reach the Bureau, under the above caption, no later than 9-25-63.

see Dir Norfolk 9-24

Enclosures (2)

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~~Follow-up made for 9-25-63~~
killed per NF airtel 9/21/63

NOTE: Bufiles indicate one prior letter to Mr. [redacted] on 2-9-59 advising him that we have no authority to investigate reports on unidentified flying objects. Form in-absence reply sent, no yellow or abstract prepared.

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MAIL ROOM ☑ TELETYPE UNIT ☐

[redacted]
September 17, 1963

Director
U. S. Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

This morning, your Newport News agent [redacted] visited me at my office at Fort Eustis, Virginia, and questioned me about 10 minutes regarding my interest in reports of sightings of Unidentified Flying Objects (UFO) -- namely a letter which I wrote to you in 1959 and two of my recent letters to local state and Federal agencies regarding the role of those agencies in processing UFO reports.

Mr. [redacted] stated that the objective of this interview was to determine my official identity and my motive for writing as a private citizen the letters in question. He also told me he was going to prepare a "memorandum for the files" on this interview. I request that you furnish me a copy of this memorandum or report.

Yours very truly,

[redacted]

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CORRESPONDENCE

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EX-116

September 27, 1963

[redacted]

Mr. [redacted]
[redacted]
Newport News, Virginia 23605

Va

[redacted]

[redacted]

Dear [redacted]

When Mr. Hoover returned to the office, he read your letter of September 17th.

He instructed me to advise you that the confidential nature of our files will preclude complying with your request.

Sincerely yours,

Helen W. Gandy
Secretary

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NOTE: The Norfolk Office advised that correspondent is employed as editorial clerk at the United States Army Transportation School, Fort Eustis, Virginia. He has been writing to various agencies concerning unidentified flying objects (UFO). The G-2 Section of Second Army, Fort Meade, Maryland is conducting a background check of [redacted] because he has directed voluminous correspondence to military officials in the area and because he is employed by the Army.

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FBI

Date: 9/24/63

Transmit the following in ____________________
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Via AIRTEL ____________ REGULAR
(Priority or Method of Mailing)

~~TO~~: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, NORFOLK 62-720 -C-

SUBJECT: [redacted]
NEWPORT NEWS, VIRGINIA
RESEARCH (CORRESPONDENCE AND TOURS)

O flying Discs

Re Buairtel to Norfolk, 9/20/63.

A review of Norfolk files reflects that [redacted] directed a letter to the Commanding Officer, Cape Charles Air Force Station, Cape Charles, Virginia, 8/7/58, requesting information concerning unidentified flying objects (UFO). A copy of that correspondence was directed to the FBI, Norfolk, by Cape Charles Air Force Station officials.

Records also reflect that [redacted] had directed a letter to the FBI, 2/1/59, which correspondence was answered by the Bureau, 2/9/59. [redacted] directed a letter to Commanding Officer, Headquarters, Aircraft Fleet, Marine Force Atlantic, U. S. Naval Base, Norfolk, Virginia, 6/15/60, requesting information concerning UFOs. That agency submitted a copy of that correspondence to the FBI, Norfolk.

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Files further reflect that [redacted] directed a letter to Commander, U. S. Naval Base, Norfolk, Virginia, 8/8/63, concerning restrictions that command has against the publicizing of flying saucer sighting reports made by Navy personnel. A copy of this correspondence was directed to the FBI Office, Norfolk, Virginia.

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C. Wick

There is also in file a copy of a letter received by [redacted], Virginia, Stony Creek, Virginia, in which [redacted] requested information concerning UFOs. This correspondence was postmarked at Fort Eustis, Virginia, on 7/23/63.

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[redacted] 9-27-63

Approved: ____________________ Sent ____________ M Per ____________
Special Agent in Charge

CORRESPONDENCE

This letter was forwarded to the Norfolk Office by the Richmond Division.

On 9/17/63, [redacted] Civilian Personnel Records Section, Fort Eustis, Virginia, advised SA [redacted] that files in her possession reflect that [redacted] who was born, 2/23/38, Shenandoah, Page County, Virginia, and who has [redacted] was employed at Fort Eustis as a clerk-typist on 5/22/58 and is presently employed as editorial clerk (typing) Transportability Branch, Technical Manuals Division, Directorate of Training Literature, United States Army Transportation School, Fort Eustis, Virginia. Mrs. [redacted] said her records reflect that [redacted] resides [redacted] Newport News, Virginia, and formerly resided at [redacted] Newport News, Virginia.

On 9/17/63, [redacted] was interviewed by SA [redacted] in Room 206, United States Army Transportation School, Fort Eustis, Virginia. [redacted] advised that he had become interested in UFO while he was a member of the Ground Observer Corps for the Civil Defense in the old City of Warwick, Virginia. He said since this time he has become intensely interested in UFOs and has done considerable research through reading and writing and obtaining information through directing letters to different military agencies and civilian agencies who have reported sighting UFOs in the past. He said his interest in UFOs is a personal one and has no official status with his current job. He said presently he has prepared a research paper on UFOs and has directed it to Department of Defense for clearance so that he might offer it for publication to a magazine or newspaper. He said this research paper is an essay-type paper.

While being questioned, [redacted] stated that he had previously written to the FBI concerning UFOs and asked did the interviewing agent know the date which he wrote, to which he was advised that it was in 1959 that he had directed a letter to the FBI.

At the conclusion of the interview, [redacted] asked what was going to be done with the information obtained from the interview, to which he was told that a memorandum would be prepared for the file.

For the information of the Bureau on 9/17/63, [redacted], Provost Marshal's Office, Fort Monroe, Virginia, advised SA [redacted] that the G-2 Section of Second Army, Fort George G. Meade, Maryland, has conducted a background check of [redacted] since [redacted] has directed voluminous correspondence to military officials in the area and because [redacted] is employed by the Department of the Army.

62-83894-429

July 17, 1963

Mr. [redacted]
Sacramento 21, California

Dear [redacted]

Your letter postmarked July 10, 1963, has been received.

For your information, the investigation of unidentified flying objects does not come within the scope of this Bureau's authority. I am, however, referring a copy of your letter to the Director of Special Investigations, The Inspector General, Department of the Air Force, Building Tempo E, Fourth and Adams Drive, S. W., Washington 25, D. C., for whatever assistance he might be able to render.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

NOTE: Correspondent is not identifiable in Bufiles. Copy of incoming sent by form referral to OSI.

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Dear Sir;

Could you tell me if the Federal Bureau of Investigation has an offical intrest in reports of unidentified flying objects?

I would also like to know if the FBI assists the USAF Project Bluebook in its investigation of unidentified flying objects.

Thank you,

[redacted]

Sacramento 21, California

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June 27, 1963

Mr. [redacted]
Carlstadt, New Jersey

Dear Mr. [redacted]

Your letter postmarked June 24th has been received.

Matters relating to unidentified flying objects do not fall within the investigative jurisdiction of the FBI. You may wish to communicate with the Foreign Technology Division, U. S. Air Force, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio, for such assistance as may be forthcoming.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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NOTE: No record of correspondent in Bufiles. Referral as noted suggested by the Liaison Section.

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[redacted]
Carlstadt, New Jersey

F.B.I.

Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Sirs:

I would appreciate it very much if you could give me the an to two questions. The questions are as follows:

(1) Are you under orders to withold information dealing with unidentified flying objects and the occupants therein? If not, are the files on these cases open to public inspection?

(2) Are you under orders to withold information dealing with mysterious disappearanes, especially those linked with the afore mentioned ufos? If not, are the files on these cases open to public inspection?

(2a) If the answer to question #1, part a is no could you please answer the following:
Has a flying saucer, or interplanetary craft of any kind, been captured by the US Government? If yes, were there any occupants and where were they taken.

Any help would be welcomed.

Yours truly,

[redacted]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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Holmes ____
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TO : W. C. Sullivan

DATE: 10/2/62

FROM : W. R. Wannall

SUBJECT: UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS (FLYING SAUCERS)

At this time there appears to be no necessity for additional instructions for the field or insertion in the FBI Handbook or Manuals relative to flying saucers.

Memorandum 10/2/61 pointed out that our policy concerning unidentified flying objects is to conduct no investigation but immediately refer facts to the Air Force (Bureau Bulletin Number 57, 10/1/47); that SAC Letter Number 38, 3/25/49, reiterated this policy and set out data desired by Air Force to be obtained when complaint received; that SAC Letter Number 83, 8/29/52, again pointed out our policy; that Air Force on 11/12/57 assured that Bureau would be advised if any developments in this field of interest to us; and that there appeared to be no necessity for further instructions to field or insertion in agents' Handbook or Manual of Instructions of our policy relating to flying saucers.

During the past 12 months only one complaint regarding flying saucers has been received. The facts in this complaint were immediately referred to the Air Force.

ACTION:

For your information. There appears to be no necessity for additional instructions for the field or insertion in the FBI Handbook or Manuals relative to flying saucers. This matter will again be reviewed on or about 10/1/63.

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1 - Mr. Sullivan
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (62-83894) DATE: 10/17/61

FROM : SAC, CINCINNATI (100-11671)

SUBJECT: Civilian Research, Interplanetary Flying Objects, Leonard H. Stringfield, Director, Cincinnati, Ohio
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

4412 Grove Avenue Cincinnati Ohio

For the information of the Bureau, there is a letterhead memorandum captioned as above relative to information received from LEONARD H. STRINGFIELD on September 25, 1961, and on October 2, 1961, by SA [redacted] One copy of letterhead memorandum has been disseminated locally to OSI, Cincinnati, Ohio.

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For completion of the Bureau's file concerning matters relating to LEONARD H. STRINGFIELD, the following is set forth:

A newspaper article captioned "Death and Funerals, L.R. "PAT" STRINGFIELD; decorated war hero", appeared in the Cincinnati Enquirer, a newspaper of general circulation in the Greater Cincinnati, Ohio, area, dated June 15, 1960, reflects that LEONARD R. "PAT" STRINGFIELD, a much decorated veteran of World War I, and one of the chapter members of Chapter 1 of the disabled American Veterans in Cincinnati, died at his home, 2495 Harrison Avenue, at age 62.

This article further reflects that one of his sons, LEONARD H. STRINGFIELD, Mariemont, is known nationally for his researches into the study of unidentified flying objects, and holds views on the subject which have attracted the attention of the Federal Government. The article identified Mr.

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Stringfield as an Advertising Executive of the DuBois Chemical Company, and further shows that his study of reports on flying saucers, however, have convinced him they are from other planets.

Additionally, a news article appeared in the Cincinnati Post and Times Star, a daily newspaper of general circulation in the Cincinnati, Ohio, area, under date of June 4, 1960, page 5, captioned, "Tell Secrets on Saucers, Expert Says", which article is set forth verbatim as follows:

"Leonard Stringfield, Cincinnati's flying saucer expert, believes the United States could take the space spotlight away from Russia by opening up secret files on unidentified flying objects.

'It could be the start of co-operation among all governments of the world,' he says. 'If all governments would pool their information on unidentified flying objects and work in unison on this it would help to ease world tensions.'

Stringfield, advertising manager for DuBois Chemicals, Inc., believes the unidentified flying objects are from outer space and that they are controlled by intelligent beings who are observing earth.

'I don't believe there is any hostile intent,' he said. 'I believe they have been using planets in our solar system for bases, even the moon. Astronomers for years have observed shifting spots on the moon.'

Stringfield said he believes U.S. Air Force secret files contain evidence 'or near evidence' that the objects are from outer space, but that officials are afraid that it would cause panic if released.

Foreign governments, too, have such evidence, he said, but are keeping it secret for the same reason.

Stringfield, who heads Cincinnati's Unidentified Flying Object Society, became interested in unidentified flying objects in 1945 while in the Air Force. He said he saw a formation of them from a bomber.

Since then he has served as a spotter for the Air Defense Command, published a magazine about the objects, and written a book on them."

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Cincinnati, Ohio
October 17, 1961

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. 100-11671

RE: CIVILIAN RESEARCH, INTERPLANETARY FLYING OBJECTS, LEONARD H. STRINGFIELD, DIRECTOR, CINCINNATI, OHIO

Leonard H. Stringfield, Advertising Manager, DuBois Chemical Company, Inc., 7th and Broadway, Cincinnati, Ohio, residence, 4412 Grove Avenue, Mariemont, Cincinnati, Ohio, advised on September 25, 1961, that he is active in unidentified flying objects research, that he has published a bulletin concerning these matters, that he is well known in this field, and that he has worked with the Air Defense Command concerning matters relating to unidentified flying objects.

Mr. Stringfield advised that he recently appeared on a television program known as Impact News on television station WCPO-TV, Cincinnati, Ohio, appearing on Sunday, September 10, 1961, at which time he was questioned by a panel of three members concerning matters relating to unidentified flying objects.

Mr. Stringfield advised that at approximately 9:00 A.M. on September 25, 1961, he had received an anonymous telephone call, being male caller, whose voice he described as firm, clear, and who spoke good English. The caller related that he had very important information to relate to Mr. Stringfield, whom he asked for by name in his call, relating to unidentified flying objects. Mr. Stringfield related that the caller

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stated in effect, "We are calling all key and responsible people on this matter", after the caller had established that he was speaking with Mr. Stringfield, which call was placed to Mr. Stringfield's place of employment, mentioned above, telephone GA 1-5100. The caller would not identify himself, and in the phone call alerted Mr. Stringfield to expect, "the biggest flury of unidentified flying objects sightings as a result of Russian nuclear explosions in the one hundred megaton range". Mr. Stringfield advised that the caller said to be prepared when confusion begins resulting from these sightings. The caller related that these sightings would be seen between certain dates, and that to the best of Mr. Stringfield's recollection, the caller stated, "Mark these dates, October 15 to October 19, during which will be the greatest incident in UFO (Unidentified Flying Objects) activity over the years". According to Mr. Stringfield, the caller remarked further, "I'll remain in touch with you, and will call back after the nineteenth".

Mr. Stringfield advised that the caller refused to identify himself, and according to Mr. Stringfield seemed to speak intelligently in the message he had to relate to Mr. Stringfield.

Mr. Stringfield advised that he was concerned about this telephone call in that if there were any truth in the matter, and if such sightings should occur, that it may cause panic among the populous in this country, and that further, that the caller seemed to speak very seriously, and there was no indication in the caller's voice or message to indicate that it was a joke or a prank.

Mr. Stringfield advised that it is not unusual that he receives telephone calls concerning unidentified objects, inasmuch as he, Stringfield, is authorized to report sightings of unidentified objects to the headquarters, Air Defense Command, at Columbus, Ohio. He stated further that it is not unusual that he might receive such a call inasmuch as he is publicly known as a person who is interested in matters relating to unidentified flying objects.

Mr. Stringfield advised that he is an advisor to the National Investigations Committee on aerial phenomena, which committee is located on Connecticut

Street, Washington, D.C., Major Donald Keyhoe, Director. Mr. Stringfield noted that the personnel of this committee are made up of civilian personnel.

On October 2, 1961, Mr. Stringfield advised the Cincinnati Office, FBI, Cincinnati, Ohio, that he had noted an article in the Sunday edition of the Cincinnati Enquirer, October 1, 1961, on page 1, section E, under the caption, "Offbeat Washington", which contained one paragraph, "Some Defense Department bigwigs are apprehensive that Russia will climax its campaign of intimidation by a spectacular explosion in space--an immense nuclear blast visible to hundreds of millions of people. These officials believe that the Soviet Union has the capability of setting off such an explosion 200 miles or so above the earth where it could be seen from many countries."

Mr. Stringfield advised that the above paragraph was printed as a reprint from the Herald Tribune News Service, Washington, D.C., and that this article seemed to tie in well with what the caller had related to Mr. Stringfield in the anonymous telephone call on September 25, 1961.

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TO : W. C. Sullivan

DATE: 10/2/61

FROM : [redacted]

SUBJECT: UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS (FLYING SAUCERS)

At this time there appears to be no necessity for additional instructions for the field or insertion in the FBI Handbook or Manuals relative to flying saucers.

Memorandum 9-30-60 pointed out that our policy concerning unidentified flying objects is to conduct no investigation but immediately refer facts to the Air Force (Bureau Bulletin Number 57, 10-1-47); that SAC Letter Number 38, 3-25-49, reiterated this policy and set out data desired by Air Force to be obtained when complaint received; that SAC Letter Number 33, 3-29-52, again pointed out our policy; that Air Force on 11-12-57 assured that Bureau would be advised of any developments in this field of interest to us; and that there appeared to be no necessity for further instructions to field or insertion in agents' Handbook or Manual of Instructions of our policy relating to flying saucers.

During the past 12 months only one complaint regarding flying saucers has been received. The facts in this complaint were immediately referred to the Air Force.

ACTION:

For your information. There appears to be no necessity for additional instructions for the field or insertion in the FBI Handbook or Manuals relative to flying saucers. This matter will again be reviewed on or about 10-1-62.

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1 - Mr. Sullivan
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SAC, Seattle October 17, 1960

Director, FBI

FLYING SAUCERS

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SEATTLE 7, WASHINGTON
COMPLAINT CONCERNING
[redacted] WASH.
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Enclosed are copies of a letter dated October 10, 1960, which was received from captioned individual and my reply to him, all of which are self-explanatory. Bureau files contain nothing identifiable with [redacted]

On the basis of information furnished by him, it is not possible to identify the [redacted]" he is referring to in his correspondence. The possibility exists that he may be identical with [redacted] Glendale, New York. Since October, 1957, the Bureau has received several communications from [redacted] on the letterhead of the [redacted] of which he was listed as Vice President. These communications primarily requested information from the Bureau to be used in their monthly publication, [redacted]" [redacted] was identified as [redacted] as well as [redacted] In 1957 a brief inquiry concerning the Baltimore [redacted] revealed that the school was organized in that year and had an enrollment of 121 students. It was indicated to be affiliated with the [redacted] and its principal officers were ministers of the Church of God. [redacted] reportedly holds a [redacted] degree and is a graduate of LaSalle Law University. Stranges has been given permission to reprint two of my previously published articles and various Bureau publications have been sent to him. It has been necessary to decline several requests from him in the past, including one for an article, a proposal to make a speech and a request that a Bureau representative be designated to speak before the [redacted] in Washington, D. C. The last two communications received from him indicate he is President of the [redacted] Bureau records do not reflect that [redacted] was ever an employee of the FBI.

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Follow-up made for 10-26-60

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Letter to Seattle
Re: [redacted]

I desire that you have [redacted] interviewed by a Special Agent in an attempt to determine if the [redacted] of [redacted]s letter is identical with Dr. [redacted] Ascertain also Mr. [redacted] reasons for believing the individual he referred to is giving the impression that he is a former member of the FBI. I would also like to know the date [redacted] is expected to reappear at [redacted] Furnish the results of your inquiry to the Bureau by 10-26-60.

October 17, 1960

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[redacted]
Seattle 7, Washington

Dear [redacted]

Your letter of October 10, 1960, has been received, and I appreciate the interest which prompted you to write.

I am having one of our Special Agents contact you regarding this matter in the very near future.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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NOTE: See Letter of same date to SAC, Seattle entitled "[redacted] Complaint Concerning [redacted]"

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Sea[redacted] 7, Washington,
October 10, 1960.

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Mr. Callah
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Mr. Malon
Mr. McGu
Mr. Rosen
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Mr. Tr
Mr. W.C.Su
Tele. Room
Mr. Ingram
Miss Gandy

Personnel Section,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Dep't of Justice,
9th & Pennsylvania,
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

There is a gentleman, a [redacted] who has published, or caused to be published, a book dealing with "Flying Saucers".

In public and in private the man infers that he is a former member of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Is this true?

This [redacted](Doctor of What? -- has never been explained.) is very careful of his wording, in speech and in writing, inferring many things, yet doing so in a manner that will allow him to deny them, if neccesary.

He quite skilfully avoids answering directly to direct questions.

All of this is done in a manner indicating that he is rather careless of the truth, yet the sort of thing that is pretty hard to pin down.

[redacted] has coupled his "Flying Saucers" with a religious theme in such a manner that he is invited to occupy the pulpit in churches around the land.

It is my personal opinion that the man is using the churches for his private gain. (Tax free, no doubt.)

I am not aware that he has broken the law in any respect, but from a moral standpoint, he is, I feel, worse than a law-breaker.

He will be coming again to my church in a few weeks, and on the occasion of his other visit told several quite patent lies.

If this man is either by law, or morally, a fraud I am quite opposed to his appearance in my church.

I would appreciate knowing if he is, in truth, a former member of your organization.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : A. H. Belmont

DATE: September 30, 1960

FROM : [redacted]

SUBJECT: UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS (FLYING SAUCERS)

[redacted]

At this time there appears to be no necessity for additional instructions for the field or insertion in the FBI Handbook or Manuals relative to flying saucers.

Memorandum 10-5-59 pointed out that our policy concerning unidentified flying objects is to conduct no investigation but immediately refer facts to the Air Force (Bureau Bulletin Number 57, 10-1-47); that SAC Letter Number 38, 3-25-49, reiterated this policy and set out data desired by Air Force to be obtained when complaint received; that SAC Letter Number 83, 8-29-52, again pointed out our policy; that Air Force on 11-12-57 assured that Bureau would be advised of any developments in this field of interest to us; and that there appeared to be no necessity for further instructions to field or insertion in agents' Handbook or Manual of Instructions of our policy relating to flying saucers.

During the past twelve months only one complaint regarding flying saucers has been referred to the Bureau. That immediately was turned over to Air Force, both in the field and at the Seat of Government.

ACTION:

For your information. There appears to be no necessity for additional instructions for the field or insertion in the FBI Handbook or Manuals relative to flying saucers. This matter will again be reviewed on or about 10-1-61.

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1 - Mr. Donahoe
1 - Mr. Wacks

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Date: 5/20/60

Transmit the following in ______ (Type in plain text or code)

Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL (Priority or Method of Mailing)

NR [redacted]

TO : Director, FBI

FROM: SAC, Detroit (65-2677)

UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT;
JOSEPH PERRY, GRAND BLANC,
MICHIGAN - COMPLAINANT
(NATIONALITIES INTELLIGENCE)
Flying Saucers

ReBulet to Office of Special Investigations, Air Force, dated 4/21/60.

Enclosed herewith are 5 copies of a letterhead memo explaining a telephone call from the "Detroit Times" at Detroit, Mich., to the Flint, Mich., Resident Agency on 5/20/60.

It is noted that the Flint RA immediately advised Detroit upon receipt of this call from [redacted] [redacted] of the [redacted]" The ASAC in turn immediately contacted [redacted] [redacted] to determine the extent of his inquiry of our RA and it was determined he had merely had a call from [redacted] referred to in letterhead memo, and [redacted] by inference, had stated it was his understanding that the FBI Agents in Flint had previously "snatched" the 2 photos from JOSEPH PERRY. [redacted] stated he knew that the FBI did not operate that way and inasmuch as he was doing a research on his morgue files he wanted to clarify this information.

[redacted]'s attention was directed to a previous contact by the Detroit Office with the [redacted]" at the time the incident occurred and it was reiterated to this [redacted] that the FBI did not investigate this case and does not investigate

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Approved: ______ Special Agent in Charge
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cases of this type but that we were called by PERRY concerning this matter, inasmuch as PERRY volunteered information to the FBI and asked for our assistance in getting this information to the appropriate agency. It was made very clear to the [redacted] that the FBI immediately transmitted these photos to the Office of Special Investigations, Dept. of Air Force, Selfridge AFB, and that Mr. PERRY was advised at the time that the FBI did not examine these photos, neither did we conduct any investigation, but that we did see the appropriate agency was furnished these photos. It is noted that our Flint Agents on subsequent contacts with PERRY, already known to the Bureau, that PERRY fully understands the situation as far as the FBI's position in this matter.

[redacted] was also advised that when Mr. PERRY turned these photos over to the FBI, he said that the Air Force could retain them until they had served the purpose and then he would like them returned to him. This information was made available to the Air Force when the photos were turned over to them. Mr. [redacted] stated he realized the FBI handled this matter properly in accordance with our established procedure and that he merely wanted to straighten the record so that he did not, by inference, indicate other than the facts should he desire to write another story on this matter.

Immediately upon receiving information from the Flint RA concerning this matter, the Office of Special Investigations at Selfridge AFB was telephonically contacted by the Detroit Office to alert them to this new inquiry in the event they should receive newspaper inquiry or contact from [redacted] referred to in the letterhead memo.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Detroit, Michigan
May 20, 1960

Unidentified Flying Object;
Joseph Perry, Grand Blanc,
Michigan - Complainant

At 3:58 p.m. on May 20, 1960, [redacted] who advised that he was on the City Desk for the [redacted] at Detroit, Michigan, telephoned the Flint, Michigan, Resident Agency and advised that he had just received a telephone call from [redacted] who resides in Wayne County, Michigan.

[redacted] reportedly advised the [redacted] that he is the [redacted] [redacted] stated that Joseph Perry, of Grand Blanc, Michigan, received a slide from Selfridge Air Force Base, Mt. Clemens, Michigan, on May 3, 1960. This slide is the property of Joe Perry, of Grand Blanc, and Perry had claimed this slide contained a photograph of the moon and that it showed what appeared to be a flying object somewhere in the vicinity of the moon. [redacted] said when the Air Force returned the photograph, they gave Perry a letter explaining that what appears to be a flying object in this slide is actually a part of the negative which was not properly developed. [redacted] reportedly told the "Detroit Times" that he does not believe this story as he knows that Joe Perry is very meticulous when he develops pictures; therefore, he feels the slide actually does contain a picture of a flying object and that he intends to obtain this slide and forward it to the Eastman Kodak Company for further analysis.

This document contains neither recommendations nor conclusions of any kind. It is the property of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and is a loan to your agency; it and/or its contents are not to be distributed outside your agency.

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ENCLOSURE

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 5/4/60

FROM : SAC, DENVER (62-0)

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SUBJECT: [redacted]

MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

Enclosed is a letterhead memorandum regarding a speech given by Mr. [redacted]. One copy of this memorandum has been made available to the Office of Special Investigations (OSI), Lowry Air Force Base, Denver.

The enclosed memorandum is being furnished for the information of the Bureau and the Los Angeles, San Diego, and San Francisco Offices, as [redacted] is alleged to be from Giant Rock, California, which town is not located by Denver in the Postal Guide or available maps.

SA [redacted] attended this lecture on Sunday, 4/17/60, after hearing of its impending presentation over the radio. He recognized no one at this meeting and was known to no one at the meeting.

On 4/19/60 Phipps Auditorium, Denver, was telephonically contacted and they advised that arrangements for the speech of Mr. [redacted] had been made with [redacted] telephone [redacted]. The 1959 Lakewood, Colorado City Directory reflects [redacted]

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Denver, Colorado
April 26, 1960

Re: [redacted]

On April 17, 1960, a lecture was given by [redacted] at Phipps Auditorium, City Park, Denver, Colorado, which was advertised to be a lecture, movie film, and discussion of unidentified flying objects. The audience was comprised of a majority of older individuals and also a majority of the audience was female. There were few young people, although some family groups.

The program was sponsored by the Denver [redacted], one of which meets monthly at the [redacted], Lakewood, Colorado, whose [redacted] was the Master of Ceremonies. The program consisted of a 45 minute movie which included several shots of things purported to be flying saucers, and then a number of interviews with people from all walks of life regarding sightings they had made of such unidentified flying objects. After the movie [redacted] gave a lecture which was more of a religious-economics lecture rather than one of unidentified flying objects.

[redacted] stated that he had been in the "flying game" for over 30 years and currently operates a private Civil Aeronautics Authority approved airfield in California. He said he has personally observed a good many sightings and has talked to hundreds of people who have also seen flying saucers. He said that he has also been visited by the people from outer space and has taken up the cause of bringing the facts of these people to the American people. He said it is a crusade which he has undertaken because he is more or less retired, his family is grown and gone from home, and he feels he might be doing some good by this work.

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The major part of his lecture was devoted to explaining the occurrences in the Bible as they related to the space people. He said that the only mention of God in the Bible is in the beginning when the universe was being made. He said that after that all references are to "out of the sky" or "out of heaven." He said that this is due to the fact that man, space people, was made by God and that in the beginning of the world the space people came to the earth and left animals here. These were the prehistoric animals which existed at a body temperature of 105 degrees; however, a polar tilt occurred whereby the poles shifted and the tropical climates became covered with ice and vice versa. He said that then the space people again put animals on the earth and this is depicted in the Bible as Noah's Ark. He said that after the polar tilt the temperature to sustain life was 98.6 degrees, which was suitable for space people, so they established a colony and left only males here, intending to bring females at a later date on supply ships. This is reflected in ADAM's not having a wife. He said that ADAM was not an individual but a race of men. He said that this race then intermarried with "intelligent, upright walking animals," which race was EVE. Then when the space people came back in the supply ships they saw what had happened and did not land but ever since due to the origin of ADAM, they have watched over the people on earth. He said that this is recorded in the Bible many times, such as MOSES receiving the Ten Commandments. He said the Ten Commandments are the laws of the space people and men on earth only give them lip service. Also, the manna from heaven was bread supplied by the space people. He also stated that this can be seen from the native stories such as the Indians in America saying that corn and potatoes, unknown in Europe, were brought here by a "flaming canoe." He said this refers to a space ship and the Indians' highest form of transportation was the canoe, so they likened it unto that. He said this can be shown also by the old stories of Winged Chariots and Winged White Horses, which came from out of the sky. He said that JESUS was born of MARY, who was a space person sent here already pregnant in order to show the earth people the proper way to live. He said the space people have watched over us through the years and have tried to help us. He said they have sent their agents to the earth and they appear just as we do; however,

RE: [redacted]

they have the power to know your thoughts just as JESUS did. He said this is their means of communication and many of the space people are mute, but they train a certain number of them to speak earth languages.

He said that the space people here on earth are equipped with a "crystal battery" which generates a magnetic field about them which bends light waves so that they, the space people, appear invisible. He said this has resulted in ghost stories such as footsteps, doors opening, and other such phenomena.

He stated that the space people are now gravely concerned with our atom bombs. He said that the explosions of these bombs have upset the earth's rotation and, as in the instance of the French bomb explosion in North Africa, have actually caused earthquakes. He said that the officials on earth are aware of this and this was the reason for the recent Geophysical Year in order to try to determine just what can be done. He said these explosions are forcing the earth toward another polar tilt, which will endanger all mankind. He said that the space people are prepared to evacuate those earth people who have abided by the "Golden Rule" when the polar tilt occurs, but will leave the rest to perish.

He advised that the space people have contacted the officials on earth and have advised them of their concern but this has not been made public. He also said that the radioactive fallout has become extremely dangerous and officials are worried but each power is so greedy of their own power they will not agree to make peace.

[redacted] also spent some time saying that the U. S. Air Force, who are responsible for investigations on unidentified flying objects, has surpressed information; and as they are responsible only to the Administration, not to the public, as elected officials are, they can get away with this. He said that also the Air Force is afraid that they will be outmoded and disbanded if such information gets out.

He said that the Administration's main concern in not making public any information is that the economy will be ruined, not because of any fear that would be engendered in the public. He said this is due to the number of scientific discoveries already made and that will be made which are labor saving and of almost permanency so that replacements would not be needed.

In summation, [redacted] speech was on these subjects:

(1) Space people related to occurrences in Bible.

(2) Atom Bomb detrimental to earth and universe.

(3) Economy is poor and would collapse under ideas brought by space people.

Throughout his lecture, [redacted] mentioned only the U. S. economy and Government and the U. S. Air Force. He did refer to the human race numerous times but all references to Government and economy could only be taken as meaning the U. S. One question put to him was whether sightings had been made in Russia or China. He answered this by saying sightings had been reported all over the world, but then specifically mentioned only the U. S., Australia, New Zealand, and New Guinea.

He also mentioned that he was not advocating or asking for any action on the part of the audience because he said evil has a way of destroying itself. He did say that he felt that the audience, of about 250 persons, were the only intelligent people in Denver and he knew they had not come out of curiosity but because they wanted to do the right thing. He said that they were above the average in intelligence and when the critical time came, the world would need people such as this to think and guide.

An application blank was distributed at the meeting for membership in the Denver society of this organization.

1 - Mr. [redacted]
1 - Liaison

Date: April 21, 1960

To: Office of Special Investigations
Air Force

Attention: Chief, Counterintelligence
Division

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director

Subject: UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT
JOSEPH PERRY, GRAND BLANC,
MICHIGAN COMPLAINANT
(NATIONALITIES INTELLIGENCE)

Flying Saucers

Reference is made to this Bureau's letter dated April 6, 1960, captioned as above. 62-83894-

There is enclosed for your information a copy of a letter dated April 13, 1960, written by Perry. There is also enclosed for your appropriate action a copy of our answer to Perry. It is requested that you furnish this Bureau a copy of your reply to him.

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April 21, 1960

Mr. Joseph F. Perry
3079 Edward Street
Grand Blanc, Michigan

Dear Mr. Perry:

I am in receipt of your letter dated April 13, 1960, and I wanted you to know that I have taken the liberty of furnishing the Department of the Air Force with a copy of your letter so that agency could reply to you concerning the return of the photographs you furnished to Special Agents of this Bureau. As you have been previously advised, these photographs when received from you were immediately furnished to the Office of Special Investigations, Department of the Air Force, Selfridge Air Force Base, Mount Clemens, Michigan.

It is suggested that you direct further inquiries in this matter to the Department of the Air Force.

Sincerely yours,

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John Edgar Hoover
Director

1 - Detroit (Enclosure - copy letter dated 4-13-60 from Perry)

1 - Office of Special Investigations
Air Force (By separate letter)
Attn: Chief, Counterintelligence Division

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NOTE: Perry, proprietor of a restaurant in Grand Blanc and an amateur photographer with a hobby of taking pictures of the moon on 3-5-60 advised Detroit Office that two of his pictures showed a foreign object which he believed to

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Mr. Joseph F. Perry

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be flying saucers. At his request Bureau agents contacted him and he furnished them the photographs which were turned over to local OSI representatives. Perry reported incident to the press which carried articles indicating FBI was investigating. We straightened out the "Detroit Times" on this point. Perry by letter dated 3-21-60 wrote to President Eisenhower pointing out he did not know where his photographs were but he would like assurance that they would be returned to him. Special Agents of Detroit Office on 4-12-60 informed Perry that the photographs he had voluntarily turned over to them had been furnished to OSI, Selfridge Air Force Base, and that the Department of the Air Force had been furnished a copy of his letter to the President. Perry in his 4-13-60 letter thanked the Director for relaying the message from the White House and indicated he was looking forward to the completion of Air Force analysis of his photographs so that "your office" would be able to return them to him. He pointed out that "thousands are looking forward" to viewing the photographs. A copy of the instant letter and a copy of Perry's 4-13-60 letter are being furnished Air Force for its reply to Perry.

3079 Edward Street
Grand Blanc, Michigan
April 13, 1960

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Flying Saucers

J. Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

I wish to thank you for relaying the message from The White House on my colored transparency of an unidentified flying object.

Am looking forward to the completion of their analysis so as your office will be able to return the transparency to me as thousands are looking forward to viewing it.

Yours truly,
Joseph L. Perry

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FBI

Date: 4/11/60

Transmit the following in ______________________________
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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL - REGISTERED
(Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, DETROIT (65-2677)

SAUCERS

UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT
JOSEPH PERRY, GRAND BLANC, MICHIGAN - COMPLAINANT
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING
(NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE)

ReBulet to Office of Special Investigations, Air Force, dated 4/6/60.

On Saturday, 4/9/60, Agents of the Flint, Mich., Resident Agency attempted to contact JOSEPH PERRY at his home, 3079 Edward St., Grand Blanc, Mich., with negative results.

On 4/9/60 he was located telephonically at approximately 6:30 P.M. He advised that he would not be available for interview that night or over the weekend; therefore, he was advised that his letter to the White House had been referred to the FBI by the Dept. of Justice, and we desired to acknowledge the letter and to see him personally. Mr. PERRY advised that he would arrange to contact the Agents at the earliest possible date.

On 4/11/60 appointment was made to see PERRY on 4/12/60, at which time Bureau's complete instructions will be complied with.

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Approved: ______________________ Sent ______________ M Per ______________
Special Agent in Charge

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI DATE: April 12, 1960

FROM : SAC, Detroit (65-2677)

SUBJECT: UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT
JOSEPH PERRY, GRAND BLANC, MICHIGAN - COMPLAINANT
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING
(NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE)

Re Bureau letter to Office of Special Investigations, Air Force, dated April 6, 1960, and Detroit airtel to Bureau, dated 4/11/60.

On April 12, 1960, JOSEPH PERRY, 3079 Edwards Street, Grand Blanc, Michigan, was personally contacted at his home by SA [redacted] and SA [redacted]

He was advised that his letter to President EISENHOWER dated March 21, 1959, had been referred to the FBI by the Department of Justice and that the FBI was acknowledging receipt of that letter.

Mr. PERRY was advised that the contents of his letter had been carefully noted and that for his information the photographs he had voluntarily turned over to the FBI had been immediately furnished to the Office of Special Investigations, Department of the Air Force, Selfridge Air Force Base, Mt. Clemens, Michigan; further, that the Department of the Air Force had been furnished a copy of his letter to the President.

Mr. PERRY was advised that the FBI was taking no investigative action in this matter and he said he was fully aware of the Bureau's policies in matters of this nature.

Mr. PERRY expressed his appreciation for the cooperation of the FBI.

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1 - Mr. [redacted]
1 - Liaison

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EX-112

Date: April 6, 1960

To: Office of Special Investigations
Air Force

Attention: Chief, Counter Intelligence
Division

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director

Subject: UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT
JOSEPH PERRY, GRAND BLANC,
MICHIGAN - COMPLAINANT
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING
(NATIONALITIES INTELLIGENCE)

Reference is made to this Bureau's memorandum dated March 9, 1960, at Detroit, Michigan, captioned as above, a copy of which has been furnished your agency.

By letter dated March 21, 1960, Mr. [redacted] N. W., Washington, D. C., referred this Bureau to an article appearing in the "Detroit Times," issue of March 9, 1960, a copy of which is enclosed, and requested to be advised whether there had been any change in our policy with respect to unidentified flying objects; whether this Bureau gathered evidence of unidentified flying objects for the Department of the Air Force; and whether the photograph described in the article had been analyzed at FBI laboratories or for FBI purposes. This Bureau's letter to the afore-mentioned organization of September 26, 1958, had pointed out that we do not investigate incidents involving unidentified flying objects but furnished data received concerning them to the Department of the Air Force.

This Bureau advised Mr. [redacted] in our letter dated March 25, 1960, that there has been no change in our policy in regard to unidentified flying objects;

1 - Detroit (Enclosure)(See note pages 2 and 3)

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Air Force

that we do not gather evidence concerning unidentified flying objects for the Department of the Air Force, although any information volunteered is, of course, accepted; and that the photograph mentioned in the "Detroit Times" article was not examined by the FBI Laboratory or anyone else for FBI purposes. Mr. [redacted] was further advised that this Bureau furnished two photographs obtained from Joseph Perry to a representative of the Department of the Air Force for whatever action was deemed appropriate by that agency.

On March 31, 1960, the Department of Justice furnished this Bureau a letter dated March 21, 1960, from Joseph F. Perry, directed to the President. This letter had been referred to the Department of Justice by the White House. A copy of this letter is enclosed. Our Detroit Office will contact Perry and advise him that his letter directed to the President has been referred to this Bureau; that the photographs in question were furnished to the Office of Special Investigations, Department of the Air Force, Selfridge Air Force Base, Mount Clemens, Michigan; and that a copy of his letter to the President has been furnished to you.

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NOTE FOR SAC, DETROIT:

Enclosed is copy of letter from Perry to the President. Assure that Perry is contacted immediately and advised that his letter to the President was referred to us by the Department of Justice which had received it from the White House and you are acknowledging receipt thereof. Point out to Perry that the contents of his letter have been carefully noted and for his information the photographs he voluntarily turned over to agents of your office were immediately furnished to the Office of Special Investigations, Department of the Air Force, Selfridge Air Force Base, Mount Clemens, Michigan. Also inform him that the Department of the Air Force has been

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Air Force

furnished a copy of his letter to the President. Make certain that Perry is aware that the Bureau is taking no investigative action in this matter.

NOTE: Perry, proprietor of a restaurant in Grand Blanc, Michigan, and an amateur photographer with a hobby of taking pictures of the moon, on 3-5-60 advised Detroit Office that two of his pictures showed a foreign object which he believed to be flying saucers. At his request, Bureau agents contacted him and he furnished them the film which our agents turned over to local OSI representatives. No further action was taken by us. The "Detroit Times" article pointed out that we were investigating this matter. SAC, Detroit, contacted appropriate officials at the newspaper and advised them that this was not the case.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

March 26, 1960

Mr. Mohr
Mr. Parsons
Mr. Belmont
Mr. Callahan
Mr. DeLoach
Mr. Malone
Mr. McGuire
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tamm
Mr. Trotter
Mr. W.C.Sullivan
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Miss Gandy

Respectfully referred to the Department of Justice for attentic and acknowledgment.

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The Assistant to the President

Bureau files reflect SAC, Detroit, 3/9/60, advised of article (which is attached to Perry's letter of 3/21/60) appearing in Detroit Times reflecting Flint, Michigan, Resident Agency furnished slides of photographs taken by Perry allegedly showing a saucer-like object silhouetted against the moon. Perry contacted Flint RA 3/4/60 advising he had been professional photographer, had taken photographs of moon and after developing same noted what appeared to be flying object in one of them. Perry furnished information to press. Flint RA received press inquiry, advised only that Perry had turned 2 slides over to FBI and they were being made available to appropriate authorities. Detroit Times advised 3/9/60 FBI has not and is not conducting investigation concerning slides but turned over the information to the Air Force. When slides turned over to Air Force, they were requested to return slides to Perry and advised that no action contemplated by the Bureau and was being referred to them for any action they deemed advisable.

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3079 Edward Street
Grand Blanc, Michigan
March 21, 1960

Mr. D. Eisenhower, President U.S.A.
Washington, D.C.

Dear President Eisenhower:

As I can't find out any information from anyone, I am writing to you.

The first part of March I turned over to the F.B.I. a colored transparency of the moon and a unidentified flying object for identification. Up to this point I have not been able to locate where it is except that it is supposed to be in the proper hands.

Quoting from a letter of March 14 from Major Donald E. Keyhoe, "From past experience with photographic evidence, we consider it unlikely that you will ever see your picture again."

Also, from other U.F.O. societies I have received the same perdictions.

I would like the assurance that this colored transparency will be returned to me within a short time, as it would be financially profitable in the pursuit of my hobby, (cameras and equipment).

I am enclosing a clipping from The Detroit Times in regards to this item.

Respectfully yours,

Joseph F. Perry

Joseph F. Perry

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Ack to acc. ltr from Perry (enc cc incoming and cc of article)
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But when the [illegible] hearings started, it became painfully evident that the public didn't know ~~very much~~

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AF WANTS TO KNOW

Pizza Pie—Or Flying Saucer?

GRAND BLANC, March 9—The FBI today probed into a color photograph of the moon taken by Joe Perry, a talented pizza pie maker, who also takes potshots at the sky with a home-made telescope-camera.

The FBI is interested in the picture Joe snapped last month on the second night of the full moon.

The picture shows a saucer-like object silhouetted against the moon.

The "thing" radiates a trail in green and appears nearer to the earth than the moon," Joe said. "It is round, much smaller than the moon, and it has a dome."

JOE DID not think anything of the photograph until customers in his restaurant asked to see it again and again.

"It's a flying saucer," they said.

The FBI got wind of it last Friday and the next day two agents from the Flint office visited Joe's place here.

"I showed them several slides of photographs I took on that particular night," Joe said. "They did not seem to be interested until I showed this particular one and then both of them jumped up."

The agents took the photograph and several others.

JOE, A grandfather at 44, hopes he has been of some service to government experts in their search for answers in outer space.

"But I hope I get that picture back," he said.

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
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TO: Director, FBI

FROM: SAC, Detroit (65-2677)

UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT;
JOSEPH PERRY, Grand Blanc, Michigan -
COMPLAINANT AKA "Joe"

ReDetroit airtel dated 3/28/60. FLYING SAUCERS

Enclosed herewith is one copy of the news article referred to in reairtel. This article appeared in the "Flint Journal", Flint, Mich., Sunday, 3/27/60, and was written by ALLAN R. WILHELM. A copy of the article is also being furnished to OSI, Selfridge AFB, Mt. Clemens, Mich. No inquiries have been received from the press or radio in addition to the inquiries set forth in myairtel and teletype of 3/9/60.

The above is for the information of the Bureau and no further action is being contemplated by this Office inasmuch as the Air Force (OSI) has been furnished all facts in our possession.

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Special Agent in Charge

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Grand Blanc Man Makes Plea to Ike

Film of Flying Saucer Up in Air

By Allan R. Wilhelm

The scene is a very good address on Pennsylvania Ave. in Washington, D. C. The time is late last week.

A balding gentleman of distinguished bearing picks up a letter, blinks a few times in obvious astonishment and then pushes the button on his intercom.

"Get hold of White (Gen. Thomas D., Air Force chief of staff) and Hoover (J. Edgar, FBI chief) and tell them to give Joe Perry back his flying saucer," he orders.

If such a scene did not take place, it's not because a Grand Blanc Township pizza merchant didn't write the letter. He did.

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It all started because Perry, operator of Perry's Pizza Grill, 3079 Edward St., likes to take pictures of the moon through his big homemade telescope. Because he usually doesn't open until well after the sun is set, he does most of his celestial sight-seeing between pizzas.

A color shot he took about 1 A. M. on a cold night last month caused him no end of consternation. Looming against the full moon on the slide was a "saucer-like" object.

Perry showed the slide to a number of his patrons. When they saw it projected on a screen he has built into the wall of his grill, he said, most of them agreed that it looked like ~~a flying~~ saucer—or what most folks think a flying saucer looks like.

Then he read a newspaper

DETROIT DIVISION
Detroit, Mich.

( ) Detroit Free Press
Editor: Lee Hills

( ) Detroit News
Editor: Martin S. Hayden

( ) Detroit Times
Editor: John C. Manning

(✓) The Flint Journal
Editor: Ralph B. Curry

Date: 3/27/60
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Joe Perry and His Telescope (Journal Photo)

report that the Air Force was interested in all reports of unidentified flying objects (UFO's). So he gave it to the Flint FBI office, which said the slide was sent to the Washington office of the Air Force, which deals with UFO's.

When word got around that Perry had the slide, things began to happen. Since then he's had at least 50 letters and calls about it.

One of the letters concerned him greatly. It was from the National Investigation Committee on Aerial Phenomena. The committee had noticed an article about Perry's find in a Detroit paper.

"From past experience with photographic evidence," the letter continued, "we consider it unlikely that you will ever see your picture again." The letter said NICAP wanted the picture made public.

All Perry knew about the whereabouts of the picture was that it was in Air Force hands. The FBI would only say that it was in "proper hands," Perry said.

So last week Perry wrote to the President telling him he can't find out where his slide is and asking assurance that he will get it back.

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"The only way I'll be satisfied if I don't get it back is if the Government tells me it's top secret," said Perry later.

He has had offers for the slide from groups that indicate they would go into court to gain possession of it from the Government.

For those who want to buy it, Parry has a stock answer: "It's not for sale."

Perry, whose hobby is expensive, admits that some financial gain wouldn't be a bad idea. But he declared "If I get it back, it's for everybody." He said he was informed a national magazine wants to use it.

Perry is confident that his slide shows some sort of space vehicle.

He bristled with indignation when asked if anyone had suggested that the saucer might help sell pizza. His pizza, he declared, is its own best advertisement.

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Perry said it shouldn't take an expert long to tell if the slide is legitimate. The Government, he believes, wouldn't look kindly on a hoax and would make a fool of a person trying to fake such a picture.

Perry said he did not see the object through the scope. He was unaware of it until the slide was processed. He does his own processing.

The object, Perry said, looked as if photographed from the side. It is surrounded by blue-green radiation and has the appearance of being in motion.

"Everybody who has contacted me about it seems to know more about it than I do," he commented.

All these people sounded serious, he observed, even the fellow who called long-distance and said he had ridden in a flying saucer and wanted a picture of one to show his friends. Perry said he didn't take him seriously, however.

Asked if he had advice for others who might come up with a picture of an unidentified flying object, he said:

"Yes, make a copy."

FBI

Date: 3/28/60

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
(Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, DETROIT (65-2677)

UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT;
JOSEPH PERRY, Grand Blanc, Michigan-
COMPLAINANT

62-83894-409

Flying Saucers

Re Deairtel, 3/9/60 and Detel, 3/9/60.

An article appeared in the "Flint Journal", Flint, Mich., dated 3/27/60 by Reporter ALLAN R. WILHELM. This article appeared on Page 13. The article reflects an interview with PERRY and in part states that PERRY had received at least 50 letters and calls in regard to the photograph he had taken. One letter was from National Investigation Committee on Aerial Phenomenon. The article contains the following quote from this letter, "From past experience with photographic evidence we consider it unlikely that you will ever see your picture again." PERRY had advised the newspaper that all he knew was that the picture was in Air Force hands. The FBI only says that it is in "proper hands", according to PERRY. The article continued, "So last week PERRY wrote to the President telling him he can't find out where his slide is and asking assurance that he will get it back." PERRY was quoted as saying, "The only way I will be satisfied if I don't get it back is if the Government tells me it is top secret."

The photograph referred to above was a .35 mm slide which was furnished to OSI, SAFB, by letter dated 3/9/60.

OSI, Selfridge Air Force Base, Mt. Clemens, Mich., advised of the above. Additional information follows which will include a copy of clipping.

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Approved: ____________________ Sent ____________ M Per ____________
Special Agent in Charge

Mr. Parsons
Mr. Belmont
Mr. Callahan
Mr. [illegible]
Mr. Malone
Mr. McGuire
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tamm
Mr. Trotter
Mr. W.C.Sullivan
Tele. Room
Mr. Ingram
Miss Gandy

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION
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URGENT 3-9-60 4-31PM ALF

TO DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM SAC DETROIT /65-2677/ 2P

Saucers

UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT., JOSEPH PERRY, GRAND BLANC, MICHIGAN - COMPLAINANT. FOLLOWING BEING SUBMITTED BUREAU IN VIEW OF ARTICLE APPEARING DETROIT TIMES TODAY, DATELINE GRAND BLANC, MICHIGAN, REFLECTING THE FBI FLINT RESIDENT AGENCY WAS FURNISHED SLIDES OF PHOTOGRAPHS TAKEN BY JOSEPH PERRY ALLEGEDLY SHOWING A SAUCER-LIKE OBJECT SILHOUETTED AGAINST THE MOON. ARTICLE INDICATES FBI IS INTERESTED IN THE PICTURE. JOSEPH PERRY, THREE NAUGHT SEVEN NINE EDWARDS STREET, GRAND BLANC, MICHIGAN, ON MARCH FOUR LAST TELEPHONICALLY CALLED THE FLINT RESIDENT AGENCY AND ADVISED AGENTS HE HAS BEEN A PROFESSIONAL PHOTOGRAPHER THE PAST THIRTY YEARS. HE HAS A HOBBY OF TAKING PHOTOGRAPHS OF THE MOON THROUGH A HOMEMADE TELESCOPE, AND AT ABOUT ONE A.M., FEBRUARY TWENTYONE LAST, TOOK PHOTOGRAPHS OF THE MOON, AND AFTER DEVELOPING SAME NOTED IN ONE WHAT APPEARED TO BE A FLYING OBJECT.. CUSTOMERS OF HIS PIZZA PIE RESTAURANT SUGGESTED THE PHOTOGRAPH MAY REFLECT FLYING SAUCER. INFORMATION FURNISHED PRESS BY JOE PERRY REFERRED TO ABOVE. FLINT

[redacted]

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62-83894-410

Mr. Belmont

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RESIDENT AGENCY RECEIVED PRESS INQUIRY, AND ADVISED ONLY THAT PERRY HAD TURNED TWO SLIDES OVER TO THE FBI, AND THEY WERE BEING MADE AVAILABLE TO APPROPRIATE AUTHORITIES. DETROIT TIMES ADVISED TODAY FBI HAS NOT AND IS NOT CONDUCTING INVESTIGATION CONCERNING SLIDES BUT HAS TURNED OVER THE INFORMATION TO THE AIR FORCE, SELFRIDGE FIELD, MICHIGAN. THIS MATERIAL WAS TURNED OVER TO TWENTYFIFTH
OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS AIR FORCE BASE
OSI DETACHMENT, SELFRIDGE AFB, FOR REFERRAL TO APPROPRIATE AIR FORCE OFFICIALS. AIRTEL WITH DETAILS FOLLOWS.

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CC--MR. BELMONT

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FBI

Date: 3/9/60

Transmit the following in ______________________
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Via AIR TEL   AIR MAIL
(Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, DETROIT (65-2677)

SAUCER

UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT;
JOSEPH PERRY, Grand Blanc, Michigan - Complainant   3079 Edwards St.

B APPROX 1916

Re Detroit tel 3/9/60.

Enclosed herewith are five copies of letterhead memo captioned as above and a newspaper clipping from the "Detroit Times", dated today.

A copy of this letterhead memo along with two 35 mm slides were furnished to the 25th OSI District (IG), Selfridge Air Force Base, Mt. Clemens, Mich., by letter this date. The Air Force was requested to return the slides to Mr. PERRY.

The Bureau was furnished with information pertaining to press inquiries received in connection with the enclosed newspaper article by retel. OSI, SAFB, was advised of this information orally on 3/9/60, and in the cover letter to OSI they were advised that no action was contemplated by this office and it was referred to them for any action they deemed advisable.

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Approved: ______________ Sent ______________ M Per ______________
Special Agent in Charge

51 MAR 24 1960

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Detroit, Michigan
March 9, 1960

Re: Unidentified Flying Object;
Joseph Perry, Grand Blanc,
Michigan - Complainant

Mr. Joseph Perry, 3079 Edwards Street, Grand Blanc, Michigan, was contacted at his request by Agents of this office on March 5, 1960.

Mr. Perry advised that he operates a Pizza House at 3075 Edwards Street, Grand Blanc, and that he has been a professional photographer for thirty years. He explained that he has a hobby of taking photographs of the moon through a home-made telescope. At about 1:00 a.m. on February 21, 1960, he took some photographs of the moon and after developing same, he put them in his viewer and in one photograph he observed what appears to be a flying object somewhere between the end of his telescope and the surface of the moon. He said that when blown up, this object is flat on the bottom, is oval shaped, and appears to have a fluorescent glow around the entire object, and that it is apparently moving as it has a vapor trail running behind it. He has taken over one thousand pictures of the moon and has never seen anything resembling this object.

Perry said that due to his thirty years' experience in photography, he is sure that what appears on the picture is actually a flying object, and is not a malfunction of the camera, is not a blur on his telescope, and is not anything that appears on the photo because of the manner in which he developed the film. Perry took about twenty pictures of the moon on February 21, 1960, and after developing them, he observed that most of the pictures were under-exposed, so he just cut off the two that appeared to be properly exposed and destroyed the rest. He furnished both of these pictures to the FBI.

Perry advised he took the pictures with a 35 mm Retna German Camera using Super Ansco Color Film, and he took these pictures through his home-made telescope which can go to 2,840 power. He estimates that at the time he took the picture showing the flying object, that his scope was set at between 350-400 power.

This confirms information furnished to Special [redacted], 25th OSI District, who also was advised that the information was being furnished for any action he deemed appropriate and no further action was contemplated by the Detroit Office of the FBI.

This document contains neither recommendations nor conclusions of any kind. It is the property of the FBI, and is a loan to your agency; it and/or its contents are not to be distributed outside your agency.

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TO : [redacted]

FROM : [redacted]

DATE: October 5, 1959

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SUBJECT: UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS (FLYING SAUCERS)

Memo [redacted] 10-13-58 pointed out that our policy concerning unidentified flying objects (flying saucers) is to conduct no investigation but immediately refer facts to the Air Force (Bureau Bulletin Number 57, 10-1-47); that SAC Letter Number 38, 3-25-49, reiterated this policy and set out data desired by Air Force to be obtained when complaint received; that SAC Letter Number 83, 8-29-52, again pointed out our policy; that Air Force, as late as 11-12-57, assured Bureau would be advised of any developments in this field of interest to us; and that there appeared to be no necessity for further instructions to field or insertion in Agents' Handbook or Manual of Instructions of our policy relating to flying saucers.

During past 12 months no complaints regarding flying saucers have been referred to Bureau. During this period we have received two inquiries regarding this alleged enomena and on both occasions the person making the inquiry been referred to OSI.

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August 31, 1959

[redacted]
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Dear [redacted]

Your letter dated August 24, 1959, has been received.

Although I would like to be able to help you, in view of the many similar requests and the pressure of my official duties, I am unable to comply with your wishes.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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NOTE: No record Bufiles on correspondent or his organization.

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[redacted]

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA.

[redacted]

August 24,1959

United States Dept. Of Justice
Federal Bureau Of Investigation
Washington 25, D.C.
ATTENTION: J.Edgar Hoover

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Flying Saucer

The purpose of our organization is to investigate and study UFO (Unidentified Flying Objects) or flying saucer reports.

Also we are planing to publish a publication on the same subject some time in September (I hope).

I was wondering is you would take the time to write an artical for our publication? It may be on the subject you care too write on, typed, and about 350 words long.

Thank you, trusting to hear from you in the near future.

Very truly yours,

[redacted]

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: May 22, 1959

FROM : SAC, Birmingham (100-0-6898)

SUBJECT: AERIAL PHENOMENA RESEARCH GROUP
MISCELLANEOUS

FLYING SAUCERS

Re BH let to Bureau, 4/21/59, and Seattle letter to Bureau, 5/5/59.

In view of the information set forth in referenced Seattle letter, no further investigation or action is being taken by the Birmingham Office in this matter.

The local OSI office has been advised concerning this matter.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: May 5, 1959

SAC, Seattle (62-1729)

SUBJECT: AERIAL PHENOMENA RESEARCH GROUP –
MISCELLANEOUS

Re Birmingham letter 4-21-59.

The address of 5108 Findlay Street, Seattle 18, Washington, is the residence of ROBERT GRIBBLE, who is the so-called national director of the Aerial Phenomena Research Group. In connection with inquiries made concerning this group in 1957, GRIBBLE advised that he was regularly employed as a fireman for the City of Seattle and that his hobby is acquiring information regarding unidentified flying objects. He advised that the Aerial Phenomena Research Group has a national and an international membership of about 350 members, and that they charge a membership fee of $5.00 per year for the purpose of defraying the expenses of a publication which the group issues periodically and for other incidental expenses of the organization. According to GRIBBLE the organization is a non-profit one and was established primarily as a hobby for persons like himself who were interested in acquiring information regarding flying objects. GRIBBLE stated that the organization was centered in Seattle, and he provided the names of other officers, all of whom were residents of this city.

Twentieth District OSI, McChord Air Force Base, is aware of the existence of this group and has been furnished all pertinent information in our files regarding it.

There is no Russian Consulate or other establishment of the U.S.S.R. in the City of Seattle. Lt. Col. HERTEL's recollection of the address of 5108 Findlay Street, Seattle, having something to do with the residence of a chauffeur for the Russian Consul in Seattle is completely erroneous.

No information regarding the activities of the Aerial Phenomena Research Group has come to the attention of the Seattle Office since June 1958.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: April 21, 1959

FROM : SAC, Birmingham (62-0)

SUBJECT: AERIAL PHENOMENA RESEARCH GROUP
MISCELLANEOUS

"The Anniston Star", Anniston, Alabama, daily newspaper, published an article on April 2, 1959, entitled, "Flying Saucer Witnesses Urged to Send in Data". This article said that the Aerial Phenomena Research Group, 5108 Findlay Street, Seattle 18, Washington, would like to get a report from people who have seen "Flying Saucers".

On April 3, 1959, Lt. Colonel OLIVER R. HERTEL, Fort McClellan, Alabama, advised that 5108 Findlay Street, Seattle 18, Washington, is believed by him to be the address of the chauffeur for the Russian Consul in Seattle, Washington. HERTEL advised a Special Agent of the 111th CIC Group at Fort McClellan that about five months ago he looked over a list of Russians and their addresses when he visited the office of the Chief Chemical Officer, Department of the Army, Washington, D. C.

The Seattle Office is requested to ascertain who lives at 5108 Findlay Street, Seattle, Washington, and whether this address has any connection with a chauffeur for the Russian Consul.

2 - Bureau (RM)
2 - Seattle (RM)
1 - OSI, Birmingham, Ala. (info.)(RM)
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (62-83894)

DATE: 2/12/59

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (62-5494)

SUBJECT: [redacted]
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING
(NATIONALITIES INTELLIGENCE)

Rebulet to CG, 1/22/59.

Per Bureau request, enclosed herewith is a copy of the book entitled "They Knew Too Much About Flying Saucers", by GRAY BARKER, noting this book was published by University Books, Inc., 404 Fourth Avenue, New York 16, N.Y.

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February 9, 1959

[redacted]
Newport News, Virginia

Dear [redacted]

I am in receipt of your letter dated February 1, 1959. In response to your request, I wish to advise that information in the files of the Federal Bureau of Investigation is confidential and available for official use only. I know you will understand the reason for this rule and will not infer either that we do or that we do not have the data you desire.

I am at liberty, however, to advise that the investigation of unidentified flying objects is not within the jurisdiction of this Bureau. This matter is of primary interest to the Department of the Air Force and, accordingly, I am sending a copy of your letter to the Director of Special Investigations, The Inspector General, Department of the Air Force, Building Tempo E, 4th and Adams Drive, S. W., Washington, D. C., to whom you may desire to direct further inquiries in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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1 - Norfolk - Enclosure

Note for Norfolk: Enclosed for information only.
Bufiles negative re [redacted]

1 - Director of Special Investigations (by form O-14)
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
Building Tempo E
4th and Adams Drive, S. W.
Washington 25, D. C.

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Mr. [redacted]

NOTE: Writer advised he understood FBI has participated in the Government's program of investigation of unidentified flying objects and he asked for information concerning these phenomena. He also asked whether FBI ever made analysis of unidentified flying object maneuvers and if FBI representative ever gave testimony before Congressional committees on this subject.

[redacted]
Newport News, Virginia
February 1, 1959

Flying Saucers -

Director of Field Investigations,
Unidentified Flying Objects
The Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

It is my understanding that the F.B.I. has participated in the Government's program of investigation of Unidentified Flying Objects (UFO).

How many UFO sighting reports involving alleged photographs or films of unconventional aerial objects has your organization collected, evaluated, or analyzed since January 1, 1952 to present? Has the F.B.I. ever been furnished with an analysis of maneuvers of UFO's ?

I understand that congressional closed-door hearings are being held on the UFO subject. Has any F.B.I representative ever given testimony in these hearings ?

Yours sincerely,

[redacted]

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SAC, Chicago January 22, 1959

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Director, FBI (62-83894) - 401

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MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING
(Nationalities Intelligence)

The Bureau desires to obtain a copy of the book written by Gray Barker entitled "They Knew Too Much About Flying Saucers." Reportedly, this book was published by University Books, Inc., 806 Dempster Street, Evanston, Illinois. Contact this publishing house and if possible, obtain a copy of this book.

NOTE:

By letter 12/7/58 [redacted] Phoenix, Arizona, wrote the Bureau inquiring about the [redacted]." He explained that [redacted] formed the [redacted] in Connecticut in 1952 to look into the flying saucer mystery. In 1953 [redacted] stated he knew what the saucers are; then, according to [redacted] "3 men in black suits" silenced [redacted] to the extent that even today [redacted] will not discuss the matter of his "hush-up" with anyone. [redacted] was interviewed 12/19/58 and with respect to the "[redacted]" he referred the interviewing Agents to the book set out above. In addition to information regarding this incident it is possible this book may contain other data of interest. Accordingly, Phoenix was instructed to reinterview [redacted] to obtain a copy of the book and/or the true name of the publisher which [redacted] had stated was "University Books Publisher," with no address indicated. In Phoenix letter 1/5/59 it is pointed out that [redacted] has moved to Denver, exact address not available but that University Books, Inc., is located at the above address.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 1/5/59

FROM : SAC, PHOENIX (62-667)

No Lic

SUBJECT: [redacted]

MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING
(Nationalities Intelligence)

Re Bulet to Phoenix dated 12/30/58.

[redacted] and his family have moved to Denver, Colorado and their exact address is not available.

It was determined through the Phoenix Public Library that University Books, Inc., is located at 806 Dempster Street, Evanston, Illinois.

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Flying Discs

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SAC, Phoenix .-2-667)

December 30, 1958

Director, FBI

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MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING
(Nationalities Intelligence)
Flying Discs

Reurlet 12/19/58. In paragraph two thereof reference is made to a book written by Gray Barker and published by University Books Publisher entitled "They Knew Too Much About Flying Saucers." Reference books at the Seat of Government fail to reflect the location of this publisher and since the Bureau is desirous of obtaining a copy of this book, it is requested that you recontact [redacted], to obtain the correct address of the publisher. In the event [redacted] volunteers to make a copy of this book available, it is permissible for you to accept same and furnish it to the Bureau.

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NOTE: By letter 12/7/58 [redacted] inquired whether we could furnish him any data concerning the [redacted] He explained that [redacted] formed the [redacted] in Connecticut in 1952 to look into the flying saucer mystery. In 1953 [redacted] allegedly stated he knew what the saucers are; then, according to [redacted], "Three men in black suits" silenced [redacted] to the extent that even today [redacted] will not discuss the matter of his "hush-up" with anyone. [redacted] explained that he recently learned that the FBI is involved in the [redacted]" On 12/19/58 [redacted] was interviewed to obtain all information in his possession concerning the "hush-up" of [redacted] as well as what part the FBI was alleged to have played in the [redacted]" Concerning the [redacted] he referred the interviewing Agents to the book set out above. In addition to information regarding this incident it is possible this book may contain other data of interest. Accordingly, not only to resolve this matter but also to ascertain whether any allegations of interest to the Bureau are contained in the book, we should if possible obtain a copy. Upon receipt, it will be reviewed with the Bureau's interest in mind.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED :NMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI DATE: 12/19/58

FROM : SAC, PHOENIX (62-667) FLYING DISCS

SUBJECT: [redacted]

MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING
(Nationalities Intelligence)

Re Bureau letter 12/16/58. COLD 1-21-

On 12/19/58, [redacted], [redacted] [redacted], Scottsdale, Arizona, stated to SAs [redacted] [redacted] that he had a hobby of gathering information concerning flying saucers and also gathering information concerning mysteries of the sea. He stated that any literature written he obtains in order to pursue this hobby. He referred agents to books written by Major DONALD E. KEYHOE entitled "Flying Saucers from Outer Space" and a book entitled "Flying Saucers Conspiracy." Both of these books were published by Henry Holt Company, 383 Madison, New York, 17, New York. Major KEYHOE is a retired Major of the U. S. Marine Corps.

Concerning the [redacted]", he referred agents to the book entitled "They Knew Too Much About Flying Saucers", written by GRAY BARKER and published by University Books Publisher, April, 1956, third printing June, 1956. According to [redacted] resides at Clarksberg, West Virginia, [redacted] and is a person with whom [redacted] corresponds concerning flying saucers as [redacted] is alleged to have a civilian investigative agency handling investigations concerning flying saucers.

[redacted] related that he has corresponded with various harbor masters and the U. S. Navy relative to the "dreadful underground menace which relates to the disappearance of crew and passengers of various ships found floundering in the open seas out of control." He stated that [redacted] has also shown interest in this subject matter, however, was unable to furnish any further amplifying details. The [redacted]" is related in the book published by [redacted]

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Agents observed at the time they contacted the residence of [redacted] while he was absent therefrom, that his sister, [redacted] carried on exclusive conversation concerning her brother relating that he had been taken out of high school while living in Denver, Colorado, and had been in the service until several months ago. She stated that her brother never had an opportunity since then to complete his schooling and that as of the present time, he was 33 years of age. This information was reiterated several times by her while waiting the arrival of her brother who was with his parents on a local shopping tour. After conversation with [redacted] it was apparent to agents that he is obsessed with gathering information concerning flying saucers and mysteries of the sea. He was admonished severely by his mother for having written to the Bureau without her knowledge.

Inquiry was made as to the length of time [redacted] spent in the H. S. Army and he was unable to furnish the duration of his enlistment and date of discharge nor furnish his serial number. [redacted] made available his discharge paper reflecting that he was inducted in 1943 and discharged in 1946 as Private First Class, Army Serial No. [redacted] His discharge papers showed that he attended East High School for a period of two years and that he was born 1/21/25.

After conversation with [redacted] it was apparent that the only reason he wrote to the Bureau was in an effort to locate the present whereabouts of [redacted] and he and his family were informed that this Bureau was unable to institute an investigation to ascertain the whereabouts of [redacted]

From the admonishment given him by his mother for writing letters to such agencies as the FBI, it would appear that [redacted] is a "chronic", living in a dream world of flying saucers and stories of the sea. He was informed that the agents' contact was an acknowledgment of the Bureau's receipt of his letter.

No further investigation is being made in this matter.

1 - Belmont
1 - [redacted]
1 - [redacted]

SAC, Phoenix December 16, 1958

Director, FBI

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[redacted]
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING
(Nationalities Intelligence)

Enclosed is a copy of a letter received from [redacted], [redacted] Scottsdale, Arizona.

Bufiles contain no information pertaining to the [redacted]" nor to the "hush-up" of [redacted] as alleged in paragraph two of the enclosed letter. The only identifiable data in Bureau files on [redacted] is a letter he wrote on 10/26/52 on the letterhead of the [redacted] to a Mr. [redacted] Franklin, Indiana, in which he suggested how [redacted] could organize a chapter of the Saucer Bureau in Franklin. Also in Bufiles is a copy of the January, 1953, magazine "Space Review" which apparently was put out by the Saucer Bureau. This magazine contains numerous articles and squibs concerning the sighting of flying saucers throughout the world. It does not appear to have any security significance.

Unless information in your files would indicate an interview with [redacted] is undesirable, immediately contact him and orally acknowledge the receipt of his letter by the Bureau. At the same time thoroughly interview [redacted] and obtain all data in his possession concerning the "hush-up" of [redacted] as well as what part the FBI was alleged to have played in the [redacted]." In the event it is apparent that the Bureau was not so involved, so advise [redacted]. Submit results of this interview to reach the Bureau no later than 12/23/58. It is permissible to advise [redacted] that the Bureau is not cognizant of [redacted] whereabouts and has no record of involvement in the [redacted]."

Enclosure

NOTE: See cover memo [redacted] to Belmont, same caption, dated December 12, 1958, JFW:jas.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT

DATE: December 12, 1958

FROM : [redacted]

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SUBJECT: [redacted]
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING
(Nationalities Intelligence)

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By letter 12/7/58 Mr. [redacted], inquired whether we could furnish him any information concerning the [redacted]" and advised he was asking the Bureau since he had recently learned that the FBI is involved in this affair. [redacted] explained that [redacted] formed the [redacted] in Bridgeport, Connecticut, in 1952 to look into the flying saucer mystery. In 1953 [redacted] allegedly stated that he knew what the saucers are. Then according to [redacted] "three men in black suits" silenced [redacted] to the extent that even today [redacted] will not discuss the matter of his "hush-up" with anyone. [redacted] pointed out he has learned that "the secret of the saucers lies the 'dreadful underground menace' that is threatening the world" and that he has important information concerning this menace. [redacted] also requested our help in getting in touch with [redacted]

Bufiles contain no information on [redacted] The only identifiable data in our files on [redacted] is a letter he wrote on 10/26/52 on the letterhead of the [redacted] to a Mr. [redacted] [redacted] Franklin, Indiana, in which he suggested how [redacted] could organize a chapter of the Saucer Bureau in Franklin. Also in Bufiles is a copy of the January, 1953, magazine "Space Review" which apparently was put out by the Saucer Bureau. This magazine contains numerous articles and squibs concerning the sighting of flying saucers throughout the world. It does not appear to have any security significance.

RECOMMENDATION:

There is a possibility that [redacted] may be suffering from delusions; however, in view of the fact that he stated the FBI is involved in a matter of which we are not cognizant as well as the implications in his description of the "hush-up" of [redacted], it is recommended he be interviewed and all information in his possession concerning this incident be obtained so that we can decide whether the facts warrant investigation. At the same time his letter will be orally acknowledged.

A letter to Phoenix is enclosed. REC 37 62-93871-318

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C.H. [illegible]

[redacted]
Scottsdale, Arizona
December 7, 1958

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I am extremely interested in the [redacted]" and I will be most grateful if you could help clear up the mystery in this affair. The reason I am writing you is because I have learned recently that a researcher of the flying saucer mystery said the FBI is involved in this affair.

A civilian investigating agency was formed in Bridgeport, Conn., in 1952, to look into the flying saucer mystery by [redacted] He called the organization [redacted] And, during his study of the saucer mystery [redacted] ran across something important. This information was evidently the solution to the mystery for in 1953 [redacted] stated bluntly, "I know what the saucers are." Then, "three men in black suits" silenced him. Even today [redacted] will not discuss the matter of his "hush-up" with anyone. However, I have learned that the secret of the saucers lies the "dreadful underground menace" that is threatening the world. And, I am also extremely interested in this "menace."

I have some very important information concerning this "dreadful underground menace" that I would like to discuss with [redacted] very much. For the story concerning this "menace" is certainly a "hellish Horror" one, which reveals a fantastic situation, so fantastic, that it would be hardly conceivable by the public. Yes indeed, I would appreciate it very much if you could help me get in touch with [redacted]

I have also been getting information regarding "certain" ship tragedies that have occurred on the high seas for a very long time, and "certain" aircraft accidents and disappearances. For these tragedies reveal evidence that gives proof that such a "menace" really "exists."

I certainly will be looking forward in hearing from you.

Sincerely yours,

[redacted]

[redacted] [illegible]

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: December 9, 1958

FROM : SAC, Oklahoma City 62-2044

Flying Discs

SUBJECT: [redacted]
Oklahoma City 6, Oklahoma
RESEARCH (CRIME RECORDS)

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ReBulet 12/2/58 to [redacted] of Oklahoma City, with copy to the Oklahoma City Office.

On 12/8/58 [redacted] Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, was contacted by SA [redacted] and advised that the FBI has not discouraged the investigation of flying saucers and that the FBI does not conduct investigation concerning unidentified flying objects (UFO).

[redacted] who advised he is 13 years of age, stated he had read reports in some of the literature concerning UFO which indicated that the FBI had discouraged some of the investigators from carrying out their research. He exhibited a copy of a publication entitled "The Saucerian Bulletin" which could not be given to the interviewing Agent since he had borrowed the publication from an unidentified friend. An examination of the publication reflected it to be Vol. 3, #4, Released October 15, 1958, edited and published by [redacted] West Virginia. The publication consisted of approximately 30 pages, contained several book reviews and advertisements for books pertaining to UFO. Page 20 of the publication contained an editorial by [redacted] consisting in part of a letter which [redacted] stated he had received from a researcher in the western part of the U. S. This letter stated in part as follows:

> "Dear Mr. [redacted]
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> "You have often wondered where the 3 men came from that silenced [redacted]. I can give you the answer because 3 men tried to silence [redacted] tells me that the 3 men were from the FBI, Air Force Intelligence, and the Central Intelligence Agency. It was the man from the CIA who made the threats that were designed to shut [redacted] up."

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This letter indicated that it was written by an individual who has been writing books on UFO and that his publisher is [redacted] Seattle, Washington.

[redacted] advised that the above letter had also been printed in a publication originating in England and that the writer's name was listed as [redacted] Seattle, Washington. [redacted] advised he is unable to recall the name of this publication and does not have a copy at the present time. He stated that the [redacted] referred to in [redacted] letter was [redacted] of Bridgeport, Connecticut, who had conducted some research concerning UFOs and had allegedly been deterred from his investigation by three unidentified men. According to [redacted] there has been a great deal of speculation regarding the identity of the men who tried to silence [redacted] He stated that [redacted] [redacted] " had written a book concerning the matter entitled "They Knew Too Much About Flying Saucers."

December 11, 1958

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Mr. M. A. Wolcott
Editor - Publisher
The Daily Iberian
Post Office Box 458
New Iberia, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Wolcott:

Your letter dated December 3, 1958, with enclosures, has been received.

Since the contents of your communication are of primary concern to another governmental agency, I am taking the liberty of forwarding a copy of it, as well as copies of your enclosures, to the Director of Special Investigations, The Inspector General, Department of the Air Force, Building Tempo E, 4th and Adams Drive, Southwest, Washington, D. C., who would be in the best position to answer your inquiry.

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Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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NOTE: Bufiles reflect that a citizen in Bartow, Florida, forwarded similar data concerning the Aerial Phenomena Research Club in 1957. Referral to OSI was made at that time. No indication in Bufiles that this Group is any governmental agency. (62-83894-373) No record Bufiles on either correspondent or his newspaper. Copy of incoming and enclosures sent Department of the Air Force.

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December 3, 1958

Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D.C.

Gentlemen: Flying Saucers

Enclosed you will find "News Releases" from a group calling itself Aerial Phenomena Research Group, in Seattle, Washington.

I am wondering if this is a legitimate organization or a phoney, particularly because it is indicated that certain "flying objects" might originate from "other planets."

If you have any information as to the reliability of this organization would you please so inform me?

With all best wishes, I am,

Sincerely,

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National Headquarters
5103 Findley Street
Seattle, Washington

Dear Sir:

We are advised that, on 10-13-58, unidentified flying objects were seen over your area, and we would greatly appreciate your assistance in locating witnesses to this aerial phenomenon.

If policy and space permit, we would appreciate an article in your publication, asking that all persons witnessing aerial phenomenon during this period contact our office.

We are a non-profit organization whose purpose is to investigate and determine the nature of unidentified flying objects and related phenomena.

Thanking you in advance,

Aerial Phenomena Research Group

Bob Gribble, National Director

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December 2, 1958

Mr. [redacted]

Oklahoma City 6, Oklahoma

Dear [redacted]

Your letter dated November 22, 1958, has been received, and I am instructing a Special Agent of our Oklahoma City Office to contact you concerning the matter you mentioned.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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ATTENTION SAC: Background as described not identifiable in Bufiles. An Agent of your office should contact [redacted] immediately and secure copies of or information concerning the periodicals described. Inform [redacted] that the FBI has not taken the action he suggested, and we ~~have~~ conducted no investigation concerning unidentified flying objects. The suggestion should be made that he may wish to contact the Office of Special Investigations of the Air Force, which has made some related studies. Sulet with requested data under caption "Mr. [redacted] Oklahoma City 6, Oklamoma, Research (Crime Records)" no later than December 9, 1958.

~~Follow-up 12-11-58~~ Filed per Okla City letter dated 12-9-58 bel

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NOTE: One reference appears in Bufiles wherein one [redacted] of the same address requested general material on the FBI and stated that his hobby was collecting letterhead stationery. There is a Special Agent [redacted] GS-12, assigned to the New York Office. No other possibly pertinent references located.

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Oklahoma City 6, Oklahoma,

22 November 1958

The Honorable J. Edgar Hoover, Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I am Acting Deputy Director of a local Oklahoma City know which is known as the [redacted] which is interested in the serious investigation of UFO.

Recently many rumors have been printed in UFO periodicals, concerning rep orts that Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation have discouraged certain saucer investigators, particulary Mr. [redacted] of Bridgeport, Connecticu from furthur research into the secret of these elusive discs. Since, you are the Director of the F.B.I., I would like to know whether or not these reports arc factual or whether they are just rumors.

Thank you very much. Trusting to hear from you in the near future, I rem

Very truly yours,

[redacted]

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Ack mailed 12/2/58 ~~12-3-58~~ Dec

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Tolson DATE: 11/18/58

FROM : [redacted]

SUBJECT: [redacted]
REPORT OF FLYING DISCS

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For record purposes, SAC McMahon of the Phoenix Office advised at 3:21 p.m., 11/17/58, that on April 30, 1947, the above-captioned person reported to the Phoenix Office that he had taken photographs of what he believed to be flying discs, but he did not have the negatives of the pictures with him, promising he would bring them into the office the following day. On August 30, 1947, [redacted] brought negatives of the photographs he allegedly took at that time into the Phoenix Office and he was advised by SA [redacted] that the negatives were being accepted by the FBI for Air Force intelligence; that there was a question as to whether he would ever get the negatives back. With this understanding [redacted] left the negatives which were in turn turned over to [redacted], military representative.

On April 17, 1950, [redacted] contacted the Phoenix Office for the return of the negatives at which time he was advised of the statement made to him in 1947 that the negatives were accepted for Air Force intelligence and it was doubtful if they would be returned, but that he should contact the Office of Special Investigations of the Air Force, San Francisco, California.

SAC McMahon advised that today the Arizona Republic newspaper was doing a column about flying saucers having been reported over the years and had interviewed [redacted] since their clips showed that he had been talked to back in 1947. [redacted] told the Arizona Republic that the FBI had borrowed the negatives of films he had taken but had never returned them. SAC McMahon desired advice as to what he should tell the Arizona Republic and he was informed that he should advise the paper that the negatives were received in 1947 from [redacted] with the understanding they would be turned over to Air Force intelligence and that there was doubt as to whether the negatives would ever be returned to [redacted] that with this understanding [redacted] released the negatives; that the negatives in question were immediately turned over to Air Force intelligence representatives; and that should any further information be desired concerning the matter the Arizona Republic should contact the Office of Special Investigations of the Air Force. SAC McMahon was referred to the Domestic Intelligence Division for its concurrence.

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1 - Mr. [redacted]

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. [redacted]

DATE: October 13, 1958

FROM : [redacted]

SUBJECT: FLYING SAUCERS

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This memorandum summarizes Bureau policy regarding unidentified flying objects commonly referred to as "flying saucers."

Reports of "flying saucers" became prevalent in 1947 and at request of Army Air Forces Intelligence, Bureau agreed to cooperate in investigation of flying discs. By Bureau Bulletin Number 42, 7-30-47, field instructed to investigate each instance to determine if bona fide sighting, a prank, or hallucination. Coordination with Army through liaison channels in field and at SOG.

By letter 9-3-47 from Headquarters Air Defense Command addressed to Commanding Generals of the various Air Forces it was noted original intent of Air Force was that Air Force would interview responsible observers and Bureau would investigate incidents of so-called discs found on ground. Letter stated services of the FBI were enlisted in order to relieve the numbered Air Forces of the task of tracking down all the many instances which turned out to be "trash can covers, toilet seats and what not." As result, Bureau Bulletin Number 57 of 10/1/47 instructed "all future reports connected with flying discs should be referred to the Air Forces and no investigative action should be taken by Bureau Agents." Letter of 9-27-47 advised Air Force that personnel and time of FBI could not be dissipated in this manner (62-83894-121).

SAC Letter Number 38, 3-25-49, advised that from reliable source it had been determined the USSR had been experimenting for four years on unknown type of flying disc. SAC Letter listed for field data desired by Air Force in connection with reports of sighting of flying saucers. Letter again called attention to fact no investigation should be conducted by Bureau but if reports made, information should be taken and furnished to Air Force.

SAC Letter Number 83, 8-29-52, referred to prior Bulletins and SAC Letters and cautioned that the type of information desired by Air Force should be obtained from complainants and furnished promptly to OSI locally. This SAC Letter again reminded field investigation is responsibility of Air Force.

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Memorandum to [redacted]
RE: FLYING SAUCERS

Neither Agents Handbook nor manuals contain instructions regarding handling of reports of sightings of unidentified flying objects although policy has been well established by above Bureau bulletins and SAC Letters and no problems have arisen in connection with this matter. Air Force has on several occasions assured that Bureau will be advised of any developments of interest to us. Last such assurance given 11-12-57 (62-83894-387).

Our liaison with Air Force on this matter is with OSI although within Air Force this matter is handled by Air Technical and Intelligence Center, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio.

ACTION:

For your information. There appears to be no necessity for further instructions to the field or insertions in the Handbook or manuals at this time.

Aerial Phenomena Research Group
National Headquarters
5108 Findlay Street
Seattle, Washington

News Release July 1, 1958

Unidentified Flying Objects Interplanetary

There is now sufficient information based on data compiled from eyewitness accounts that a high percentage of aerial phenomena such as those popularly described as unidentified flying objects are "intelligently controled craft whose ports of origin are outside Earths atmosphere."

This is the conclusion reached as the result of a study begun by Aerial Phenomena Research Group in Seattle, Washington on January 1, 1954 into the field of unidentified flying objects and possibly related incidents.

Commenting on this study, National Director of Aerial Phenomena Research Group Robert J. Gribble said: "Although the accounts considered in this study did not contain scientific measurements of each sighting, it was possible to establish certain valid conclusions by the application of statistical methods in the treatment of the data. Analyzed and arranged, the data did show a marked pattern.

"On the basis of this marked pattern of the data, A.P.R.G. has concluded that a high percentage of the more than 5,000 accounts of unidentified flying objects examined in this study represent observations of technological developments outside the range of present-day scientific knowledge.

"Therefore, it is highly probable that many of the unidentified flying objects considered in this study are 'spacecraft from other planets'."

A.P.R.G. highly recommends that all national security agencies take immediate steps to strip the unidentified flying objects of the special "secrecy status" they have been given and the aura of mystery they have unfortunatly acquired. END.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
WASHINGTON 25, D. C

Received from
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22 SEP 1958

Honorable J. Edgar Hoover
Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington 25, D. C.

RE: Unidentified Flying Object,
Torrington, Conn.,
5 December 1957

Dear Sir:

Inclosed is a copy of a letter from a Delmaine H. Oveson, who identifies himself as Director of Operations, Electronics Service Unit 4, Roseau, Minnesota. This letter requests information concerning the reported sighting of an Unconventional Aerial Object on or about 5 December 1957 at Torrington, Connecticut.

This letter was furnished the Office of Special Investigations by the Ground Observer Corps (GOC) Coordinator for the State of Connecticut. That individual has advised that an alleged sighting of an unidentified flying object near Torrington, Connecticut, was reported on or about 5 December 1957, but that neither he nor the addressee have any knowledge of the author of the inclosed letter.

Information has been received from the U. S. Army, and Air Force Postal Service that no military units are located at Roseau, Minnesota. Therefore, this matter is being referred to your Bureau for any action you deem appropriate.

Advice if any information of interest to the Air Force is developed by your Bureau in this matter will be appreciated.

Sincerely,

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Assistant Chief
Counterintelligence Div.
Dir of Special Investigations
The Inspector General

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Headquarters
Electronics Service Unit
[illegible], Illinois [illegible]

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Mr. [illegible] Gerard
Torrington, Connecticut

Dear Sir:

It has been reported that you did, on or about December [illegible], 1957, sight an unconventional aerial object at or near Torrington, Connecticut, at approximately 8:05 p.m., in company with [illegible].

We respectfully request your assistance in this [illegible]. Please describe the object, giving approximate altitude, color, shape, direction of flight, if any, approximate position in the sky, and duration of sighting. Also, in comparison to any objects [illegible] length and width? Did you notice any infraction of [illegible] safety? Subject [illegible] will be held strictly confidential.

Your assistance will be immensely appreciated.

Sincerely,

[illegible] H. Ovenson
Electronics Service Unit
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EX. 133

Date: October 2, 1958

To: Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
Building Tempo E
4th and Adams Drive, S. W.
Washington 25, D. C.

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES
AND FIELD OFFICES
ADVISED BY ROUTING
SLIP(S) OF 2040
DATE 9/1/77

Subject: [redacted]
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING
(Nationalities Intelligence)

Reference is made to letter dated September 22, 1958, signed by Mr. [redacted] your reference 24-185-483, re "Unidentified Flying Object, Torrington, Conn., 5 December 1957."

Enclosed for your information is a copy of a memorandum dated July 9, 1958, at Denver, Colorado, relating to the subject. The other Government agency referred to in the memorandum is the Office of Special Investigations, Lowry Air Force Base, Denver, Colorado. Also enclosed for your information is a copy of a memorandum dated July 3, 1958, at San Francisco, California. The representative of another Government agency referred to therein is Colonel [redacted], USAF District Commander, Travis Air Force Base, California, who furnished information concerning the subject developed by OSI.

Since it appears that the subject is a member of the Air Force, no further action in this matter is contemplated by this Bureau.

BY COURIER SVC.
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62-103581 of Flying Saucers

Date: October 2, 1958

To:
Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
Building Tempo E
4th and Adams Drive, S. W.
Washington 25, D. C.

From:
John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject:
DONALD E. KEYHOE
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING
(Nationalities Intelligence)

For your information, there are enclosed two Photostats of a letter dated September 22, 1958, addressed to this Bureau by the subject and two copies of this Bureau's reply dated September 26, 1958.

Enclosures - 4

1 - WFO (Enclosure - copy of Bureau reply to Keyhoe dated September 26, 1958)

NOTE:

Subject's letter made pointed inquiries relating to Bureau's participation in investigations relating to unidentified flying objects. Our reply was general in nature. Copies of incoming and are reply being furnished to OSI since Air Force coordinates matters relating to unidentified flying objects.

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1 - Mr. Belmont
1 - Mr. [redacted]
1 - Mr.

September 26, 1958

Major Donald E. Keyhoe, Director
National Investigations Committee
on Aerial Phenomena
1536 Connecticut Avenue
Washington 6, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In response to your letter of September 22, 1958, the following requested information is furnished:

The Federal Bureau of Investigation does not investigate sightings of unidentified flying objects. When the details of such a sighting are reported to representatives of this Bureau, the information is forwarded to the Air Force.

Representatives of this Bureau do not issue instructions to individuals who have sighted unidentified flying objects that they should not talk about such sightings.

It is not a function of this Bureau to make character investigations of individuals who have witnessed unidentified flying objects.

This Bureau does not have information on unidentified flying objects which can be released. This does not imply that this Bureau has information concerning unidentified flying objects which cannot be released.

It is understood that JANAP 146 is a Department of Defense document and is not, as such, applicable to the operations of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Possible communication with extraterrestrial vehicles from another planet, should the unidentified

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See cover memo [redacted] to Belmont, captioned "Donald E. Keyhoe, Miscellaneous - Information Concerning (Nationalities Intelligence)," dated 9/26/58, ESS:jas.

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MR. A. H. BELMONT September 26, 195

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DONALD E. KEYHOE
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING
(Nationalities Intelligence)

Subject, Director of National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena, by letter of 9/22/58 requested particulars of Bureau's participation concerning unidentified flying objects. The committee he heads is described on letterhead as "A privately supported fact finding civilian committee serving the public interests" and he lists several prominent individuals among "our Board members and Special Advisers." He is a retired Marine.

Keyhoe has been known to the Bureau since 1935 and was, and may still be, a free-lance writer. In 1948 he was described by Mr. Nichols as "a flamboyant writer and we have found from previous experience that much of his material is irresponsible." In 1951 the Director concurred with Mr. Nichols' statement that "We should not get involved with him."

As an example of his writing, the January, 1941, issue of "Cosmopolitan" magazine carried an article written by Keyhoe and John J. Daly entitled "Hitler's Plan to Seize the United States Merchant Marine." This article indicated the Bureau had in its possess documents concerning such a plan by Hitler which indication was complet false.

The attached suggested letter to Keyhoe responds in a very general way to his questions, some of which are extremely pointed such as "Have FBI Agents told witnesses not to talk about UFO sightings?" and "Does the Bureau make character investigations of UFO witnesses in some cases?" The answers which have been furnished are designed to avoid the charge we have not answered questions yet they are broad in nature to avoid his apparent pointed inquiries. His request for an interview with a Bureau official concerning our policy concerning unidentified flying objects has been side-stepped since there appears to be no point in discussing this matter further with him. JANAP 146 i Defense document re reporting intelligence sightings.

ACTION:

That the attached suggested letter be forwarded to Keyhoe. I view of Air Force interest, copy of incoming with copy of our reply being sent Air Force separately.

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flying objects prove to be extraterrestrial, is not a function of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. This Bureau is, of course, interested in any aspect of any development which would affect the internal security of the United States.

Your letter of September 22, 1958, requested an interview with an official of this Bureau concerning the matter of unidentified flying objects and this Bureau's policy in connection therewith. Since this Bureau's policy in connection with unidentified flying objects has been fully set forth above, you may feel that the requested interview is not now necessary.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Date: March 12, 1958

To: Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
Building Tempo E
4th and Adams Drive, S. W.
Washington, D. C.

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: FLYING SAUCERS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

Enclosed for your information is a copy of a letter forwarded to this Bureau by Mrs. [redacted] of Elkhart, Indiana, which is self-explanatory.

No action in this connection is contemplated by this Bureau.

Enclosure

BY COURIER SVC.
19 MAR 1958
COMM - FBI

1 - Director of Naval Intelligence (Enclosure)

1 - Assistant Chief of Staff, Intelligence (Enclosure)
Department of the Army
Attention: Chief, Security Division

1 - ~~Minneapolis~~ Indianapolis (Enclosure)

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NOTE: Mrs. [redacted] relates having seen flying saucers and expresses her belief that outer spacemen have been landing in the vicinity of her home and taking newspapers and magazines which she left out for them. No action for the Bureau other than the dissemination indicated. Bufiles negative re [redacted]. No reply desirable in view indications she is mental case. AF has unit for checking such reports.

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This is the true story of our visitors
from outer space 5 or 6 years ago.

Many people wonder whether there are people living in other worlds and many people wish they knew for sure and some people wish they could contact them.

Of course there are people living in another world at least and probably many worlds.

My husband and three daughters and I were living on our farm in Michigan (in the sticks) Our oldest daughter was working as a waitress about seven miles from our place at the Country Club, that summer vacation to help pay her college expenses. I would go after her at midnight then wait untill she was ready to go home. One night right soon after we left the highway we noticed this moving object a little ahead of us along the side of the road. It had tiny lights blinking on and off and for just a second when the lights were off we could see a dark moving object or shape is a better word. There was absolutely no noise whatever but I realized at once there were human beings guiding it. I was three miles

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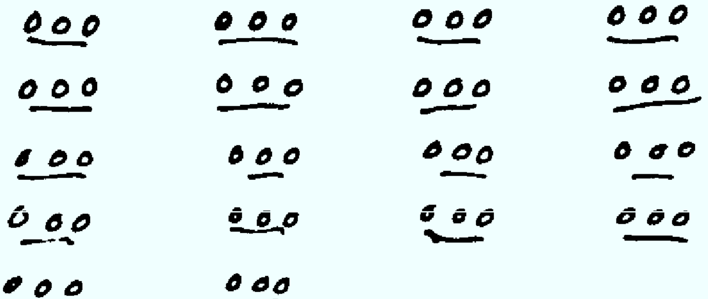
from the highway to our home which made six home driveways and three roads leading off of our road that we were traveling. At each place this outer plane would hover until they knew whether we were turning off or going on by, then they would swiftly glide on ahead of us, they staid just above the trees and a little ahead of us showing they were very intelligent people because had they staid behind us we would have speeded up and panicked. When we came to our place they hesitated until we turned in then they turned in over our garden beside the drive away. My daughter got out on her side and I got out on my side of the car. They were only a short distance ~~fom~~ from us and down much lower. They were motionless and noiseless no motors at all. We stared at each other a long time, the thót crossed my mind that they were probably taking our picture. I was completely speechless and awed. I felt the enormity of this thing that was happening. They came from endless time endless distance I felt that it was out of eternity itself. After some time they moved first on across the field down towards the river. Silently we went into the house and on to bed without saying a word about it. It was no time for words I didn't want to break the wonderment of this little piece of sacred time in my life. Every night from now on our dog which was tied nights to his dog house in the back yard would bark just a few minutes when the last light was turned off. I could tell by his bark that it was not just another animal but a person out there. The old orchard at the edge of the yard was wild and grown up with grass and bushes and small trees and six or eight old big trees. There on the edge behind high bushes of lilacs stood our indispensable little square (library). I noticed that the newspapers and magazines were missing every morning. I had a good idea of what was going on so I purposely put out newspapers and magazines every evening then checked in the morning and they were always gone. One day our youngest daughter mentioned that everynight when she turns off her light the dog would bark and she'd see a peculiar red round light out there in the back yard. That night when the dog started to bark I opened her door to see what it looked like. The light was the size of a pie plate it was red but it didn't throw a beam of light like our flashlights but it did have depth. There were at least two people one waited outside and watched while the other one went inside to get the papers. We lived right on the state line and we got Indiana papers so every evening I'd put out The Elkhart Truth & the South Bend Tribune and Chicago Sunday Tribune and magazines.

One night the dog was not tied and he started to bark but his bark was sliced off. I'll never forget the sound of it. I supposed that they killed him but I was not brave enough to go out and look. I got up early the next morning to see he had run halfway across the yard and he had fallen over just as he ran. he was unconcious but not dead. I walked right by him but he didn't move. This was another proof of their goodness and human qualities because their flashlight was a ray light and they could have killed him had they wanted to. He came to enough to pull himself into a more comfortable position before the girls got up. I was noon before he could walk and three months before he was well again. One morning at the end of the six weeks I found a strange newspaper on the shelf in our (library). On top of the paper was a good quality sheet of white paper with the key to the print in the newspaper. There letters are almost like ours a couple exactly like ours however they use three letters together instead of one alone.



I suppose to ~~th~~ hear them read it would sound like a sing song of phases. They didn't use end of sentence dots or punctubtions of any kind. No capital letters either. I know that they must have learned to read our printed matter but if we heard them read it we wouldn't understand ~~it~~ I mean our own language. I'm sure that they get ~~they~~ the right meaning tho. I hid the newspaper until I could decide what to do with it but some one found it and burned it up. I feel terrible about it I know it is unforgiveable but that is what did happen anyway. The morning that I found the newspaper I went upstairs and looked down across the orchard to the river and there was the flying saucer. It was made of transparent material like glass it was dome shaped like an eskimo hut. Inside was a large ring (like a napkin ring) only huge and every thing was inside this ring and as I looked the whole ring was lit up in colors and I could no longer see inside the ring. It rose straight up and showed very plainly against the trees but after it was above the trees it looked just like a star. Pilots probably saw them many times and didn't realize what they were looking at. They probably didn't use this for outer space travel but had a huge ship plane somewhere and used this only for travel on this earth, they probably had more of them somewhere. My husband died two years ago so I rented the farm and my daughters and I live in Elkhart Indiana. So I don't know if they ever come back or not. I know that I have no proof that this is true but I thought I'd see if the government did believe any of it. Outer space people can read

Our print if they would put up a station with
our print in neon lights they could understand
what it is and that it would be for an
exchange of newspapers. I imagine that they
are quite disgusted with our sputniks and
they could give us much knowledge that
we need if we could contact them.

If you think that there is nothing to this
and you don't believe it don't answer if
you want to answer send a letter to a
friend of mine you can't write to my
home because my own relatives would
lock me up if they knew that I wrote to
you because they definitly would not
believe it so I never talked about this to
any-one (Oh yes our picture was inside)

my name Mrs. [redacted] put
your letter in a sealed envelope, with my name on it and put
it in another envelope and address to

Mrs. [redacted]
[redacted]
Elkhart, Indiana.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: January 30, 1958

FROM : SAC, KANSAS CITY (62-7386)

SUBJECT: [redacted]

MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

Flying Saucers

Re St. Louis letter to Bureau 1-6-58 and Bureau letter to Director of Special Investigations, Department of the Air Force, dated 1-23-58.

The files of the Kansas City Office contain no information identifiable with [redacted] or the [redacted]

It should be noted that the 1957 Independence, Missouri Directory does not list [redacted] This directory lists [redacted] Terrace, Independence, Missouri. The files of the Kansas City Office contain nothing identifiable with [redacted]

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Date: January 23, 1958

To: Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
Building Tempo E
4th and Adams Drive, S. W.
Washington, D. C.

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From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: ROBERT T. STONE;
INTER CONTINENTAL AERIAL
RESEARCH FOUNDATION
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

On December 20, 1957, Mr. [redacted] [redacted], Hannibal, Missouri, advised an agent of this Bureau at Hannibal that he was in receipt of an undated letter signed by R. T. Stone. This letter bears the letterhead "Inter-Continental Aerial Research Foundation" and in the upper right corner there is typed "MISSOURI FILTER CENTER, Robert T. Stone, Director, 10717 E. 27th Terr., Independence, Missouri."

The letter furnished by Mr. [redacted] is as follows:

"Dear Editor:

"The enclosed notice is self-explanatory. We would like to request this public service in the name of Truth, which the newspapers of our great countries so proudly defend and uphold.

BY COURIER SVC.
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COMM - FBI

1 - St. Louis
1 - Kansas City

NOTE FOR SAC, KANSAS CITY: Re St. Louis letter 1/6/58. Advise Bureau results of your indices check but conduct no investigation.

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"As a civilian body of investigators, we hope to unravel the snarled mess that shrouds the U.F.O. question, and with the help of the newspapers and the public, where can we fail?

"We will be grateful if you will publish the enclosed appeal on the front page of your newspaper, in a conspicuous enough manner that no one will fail to notice it. It is the public we must depend upon to get thoroughly organized, and with this co-operation we are certain that we can find the answer to the riddle of the 'Flying Saucers.'

"If a Filter Center has been established in your state or province, this form letter will carry its address which should replace the headquarters address given on the enclosed 'Public Notice.' If no such filter center address is given, then the original headquarters address should be used.

"We wish to thank you for any assistance you may be able to give us in this respect. Later established filter center addresses will be sent to you for public attention in the event of unusual sightings, that may come to your attention.

"Respectfully,

/S/ R. T. STONE
"For the Inter Continental Aerial
Research Foundation"

Attached to the letter was the notice which it was requested be published. This notice is as follows:

"Inter Continental Aerial Research Foundation

"NOTICE!
"To All Concerned:

"If anyone has seen any unidentified flying objects--known also as flying saucers--or knows anyone who has seen them since January 1st, 1957, please contact us immediately, giving full names and addresses of the witnesses to these sightings.

"We are in the process of setting up UFO observer Posts all over the United States, Canada, Europe, Alaska, Australia, Japan, England, Africa, and South America. And each state, province or region will have its own filter center which will serve as a receiving station for all UFO reports and other associated data, a distribution point for material from headquarters, and as a general secretary for ICARF.

"Our filter-observer network is expanding by leaps and bounds, but we are still far from our goal.

"The Air Force investigation has either gone underground, or else they have the answer and are hiding the fact from the public. The fact remains that millions of people continue to see these UFOs and the public still doesn't know what they are.

"It is our purpose in organizing ICARF to find the answer to the UFO mystery, and give the facts to the public. And in order to do this we will need the assistance of every person concerned. Persons with movie and still cameras are particularly needed, for the emphasis is on photographic data, despite the fact that sightings with binoculars and telescopes, sound detector and ham radio stations are also very important in the process of our research.

> "All persons interested in setting up observer posts who can devote from one to three hours a day on skywatch, and who can be relied upon to have their cameras loaded and ready to photograph these objects should immediately contact us for full information. Adult Skywatch clubs, high school groups, science clubs, industrial groups, and individuals in general are all particularly asked to join us in our search for the answer to the UFOs.
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> "Contact us at the address above."
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> "INTER CONTINENTAL AERIAL
> RESEARCH FOUNDATION
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> "FORM OP-2"

Also attached was a three inch by five inch plain card with the handwriting "Please confirm publication or return forms with reason for refusal. Thank you." Signed "Missouri Filter Center; ICARF."

Mr. [redacted] stated that this is a peculiar request and therefore he was bringing it to the attention of the Federal Bureau of Investigation as he questioned the motives behind this organization's purpose.

No further action in this matter is contemplated by this Bureau. Should additional information be received, however, it will be forwarded promptly to you. The files of this Bureau contain no information identifiable with Robert T. Stone or the Inter Continental Aerial Research Foundation.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI DATE: 1/6/58

FROM : SAC, ST. LOUIS (62-0)

SUBJECT: [illegible]BERT T. STONE;
INTER CONTINENTAL AERIAL
RESEARCH FOUNDATION;
INFORMATION CONCERNING

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"FORM OP-2"

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The original letters are being submitted to the Director.

Kansas City Division is requested to check its indices on ROBERT T. STONE and the Inter Continental Aerial Research Foundation, and conduct such inquiry as it deems appropriate.

Inasmuch as there is no further investigation, in the St. Louis area, Kansas City is being considered the Office of Origin.

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DEAR EDITOR:

THE ENCLOSED NOTICE IS SELF-EXPLANATORY. WE WOULD LIKE TO REQUEST THIS PUBLIC SERVICE IN THE NAME OF TRUTH, WHICH THE NEWSPAPERS OF OUR GREAT COUNTRIES SO PROUDLY DEFEND AND UPHOLD.

AS A CIVILIAN BODY OF INVESTIGATORS, WE HOPE TO UNRAVEL THE SNARLED MESS THAT SHROUDS THE U.F.O. QUESTION, AND WITH THE HELP OF THE NEWSPAPERS AND THE PUBLIC, WHERE CAN WE FAIL?

WE WILL BE GRATEFUL IF YOU WILL PUBLISH THE ENCLOSED APPEAL ON THE FRONT PAGE OF YOUR NEWSPAPER, IN A CONSPICUOUS ENOUGH MANNER THAT NO ONE WILL FAIL TO NOTICE IT. IT IS THE PUBLIC WE MUST DEPEND UPON TO GET THOROUGHLY ORGANIZED, AND WITH THIS CO-OPERATION WE ARE CERTAIN THAT WE CAN FIND THE ANSWER TO THE RIDDLE OF THE "FLYING SAUCERS."

IF A FILTER CENTER HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED IN YOUR STATE OR PROVINCE, THIS FORM LETTER WILL CARRY ITS ADDRESS WHICH SHOULD REPLACE THE HEADQUARTERS ADDRESS GIVEN ON THE ENCLOSED "PUBLIC NOTICE." IF NO SUCH FILTER CENTER ADDRESS IS GIVEN, THEN THE ORIGINAL HEADQUARTERS ADDRESS SHOULD BE USED.

WE WISH TO THANK YOU FOR ANY ASSISTANCE YOU MAY BE ABLE TO GIVE US IN THIS RESPECT. LATER ESTABLISHED FILTER CENTER ADDRESSES WILL BE SENT TO YOU FOR PUBLIC ATTENTION IN THE EVENT OF UNUSUAL SIGHTINGS. THAT MAY COME TO YOUR ATTENTION.

RESPECTFULLY,

FOR THE INTER CONTINENTAL AERIAL
RESEARCH FOUNDATION

INTER CONTINENTAL
AERIAL RESEARCH
FOUNDATION

NOTICE!
TO ALL CONCERNED:

IF ANYONE HAS SEEN ANY UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS--KNOWN ALSO AS FLYING SAUCERS--OR KNOWS ANYONE WHO HAS SEEN THEM SINCE JANUARY 1ST, 1957, PLEASE CONTACT US IMMEDIATELY, GIVING FULL NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF THE WITNESSES TO THESE SIGHTINGS.

WE ARE IN THE PROCESS OF SETTING UP UFO OBSERVER POSTS ALL OVER THE UNITED STATES, CANADA, EUROPE, ALASKA, AUSTRALIA, JAPAN, ENGLAND, AFRICA, AND SOUTH AMERICA. AND EACH STATE, PROVINCE OR REGION WILL HAVE ITS OWN FILTER CENTER WHICH WILL SERVE AS A RECEIVING STATION FOR ALL UFO REPORTS AND OTHER ASSOCIATED DATA, A DISTRIBUTION POINT FOR MATERIAL FROM HEADQUARTERS, AND AS A GENERAL SECRETARY FOR ICARF.

OUR FILTER-OBSERVER NETWORK IS EXPANDING BY LEAPS AND BOUNDS, BUT WE ARE STILL FAR FROM OUR GOAL.

THE AIR FORCE INVESTIGATION HAS EITHER GONE UNDERGROUND, OR ELSE THEY HAVE THE ANSWER AND ARE HIDING THE FACT FROM THE PUBLIC. THE FACT REMAINS THAT MILLIONS OF PEOPLE CONTINUE TO SEE THESE UFOS AND THE PUBLIC STILL DOESN'T KNOW WHAT THEY ARE.

IT IS OUR PURPOSE IN ORGANIZING ICARF TO FIND THE ANSWER TO THE UFO MYSTERY, AND GIVE THE FACTS TO THE PUBLIC. AND IN ORDER TO DO THIS WE WILL NEED THE ASSISTANCE OF EVERY PERSON CONCERNED. PERSONS WITH MOVIE AND STILL CAMERAS ARE PARTICULARLY NEEDED, FOR THE EMPHASIS IS ON PHOTOGRAPHIC DATA, DESPITE THE FACT THAT SIGHTINGS WITH BINOCULARS AND TELESCOPES, SOUND DETECTOR AND HAM RADIO STATIONS ARE ALSO VERY IMPORTANT IN THE PROCESS OF OUR RESEARCH.

ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN SETTING UP OBSERVER POSTS WHO CAN DEVOTE FROM ONE TO THREE HOURS A DAY ON SKYWATCH, AND WHO CAN BE RELIED UPON TO HAVE THEIR CAMERAS LOADED AND READY TO PHOTOGRAPH THESE OBJECTS SHOULD IMMEDIATELY CONTACT US FOR FULL INFORMATION. ADULT SKYWATCH CLUBS, HIGH SCHOOL GROUPS, SCIENCE CLUBS, INDUSTRIAL GROUPS, AND INDIVIDUALS IN GENERAL ARE ALL PARTICULARLY ASKED TO JOIN US IN OUR SEARCH FOR THE ANSWER TO THE UFOS.

CONTACT US AT THE ADDRESS ABOVE.

INTER CONTINENTAL AERIAL RESEARCH
FOUNDATION

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Office Mem ...um • UNITED S... GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT DATE: November 12, 1957

FROM : MR. [redacted]

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SUBJECT: UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS (FLYING SAUCERS)

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Ever since the Russians released "Sputnik" there has been a great increase in the number of "flying saucers" and other unidentified flying objects (UFO) reportedly seen by people all over the U. S. On October 10, 1957, the Air Force was flooded with calls and the newspapers were full of reports that an unknown object described as "looked like the moon" and trailing a "blue flame that pulsed like a heart" had landed in the vicinity of Vernal, Utah. The Air Force immediately investigated these reports with negative results, inasmuch as no object was located nor was there any evidence of an object having fallen in Utah.

Within the past two weeks reports in these cases have increased tremendously and some of the more serious have been described as follows: An object had landed in Nebraska with six people aboard, the persons had talked to a Nebraska farmer and then sped off into space; a firey object was seen flashing across the southern skies from Albany, Georgia, to Miami, Florida; a Coast Guard cutter had sighted a huge object flying over the Gulf of Mexico, and persons in the Southwestern states while driving their cars have allegedly seen UFO's that caused the engines in their automobiles to stop. In view of the number of these reports, the Bureau's Liaison Representative discussed these various sightings with officials of Air Force Intelligence and was advised that all the cases mentioned above have for all practical purposes been resolved as being nonauthentic or there was no basis for the sightings. Investigating details that the Air Force had out in the field investigating these matters have not submitted their complete reports but have advised that they are all more or less negative. The Air Force is following these sightings closely and all reports are submitted to the Air Technical and Intelligence Center, at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Ohio where they are evaluated and analyzed. In the event any of the future reports appear to be authentic, the Air Force will immediately notify the Bureau, keeping in mind our particular interest in matters concerning espionage and sabotage.

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1 - Mr. Belmont
1 - Mr. [redacted]
1 - Mr. [redacted]
1 - Mr. [redacted]
1 - Liaison Section
1 - Mr. Bailey

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MEMO ROACH TO BELMONT RE: UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS (FLYING SAUCERS)

ACTION:

For information.

Office Me[illegible]ndum • UNITED [illegible] GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: November 20, 1957

FROM : e0g Legal Attache, Havana, Cuba

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SUBJECT: REPORTS OF FLYING DISCS
FOREIGN MISCELLANEOUS

The following information is submitted as of interest to the Bureau in the event reports of flying discs are still desired.

Informant Informant Cuba

The Havana daily newspaper "Diario de la Marina" November 12, 1957, carried a dispatch datelined November 11, 1957, at Pinar del Rio, Cuba, reporting that [redacted] and [redacted] who had just arrived in that town from the Matahambre Mines in Pinar del Rio Province, claimed that they had seen a flying disc in the shape of a man's hat hovering over the general area of Matahambre for several minutes. They claimed that this disc was larger than ordinary airplanes normally seen in that area and that it was completely silent in its flight. They said that it disappeared at a very high speed towards the sea. There was no further descriptive information furnished in this newspaper article. It is noted that Matahambre is located approximately 90 miles to the west of Havana. No other reports corroborating the above were received and no inquiry has been made by this office.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 11-14-57

FROM : SAC, Dallas (62-1311)

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Re Kansas City letter 11-8-57.

This matter is being referred to OSI without investigation and no other action is being taken in accordance with existing instructions.

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1 Kansas City (66-2995)
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Director's Sec'y ___

TO : MR. MC DERMOTT

DATE: 6/14/77

FROM : J. COCHRAN, JR.

SUBJECT: WHITE HOUSE INQUIRY RE UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS (UFO)

Stanley Schneider of the Office of Science and Technology, White House, telephonically contacted me today to inquire as to the Bureau's procedure for handling information received from the public or otherwise, relating to sightings of UFOs. He advised that Jody Powell of the President's staff has raised the question as to whether or not there is any coordination within the Executive Branch relating to information concerning this subject. He stated that the U.S. Air Force had closed their investigation of these matters several years ago and currently does nothing but refer such information to appropriate local authorities.

I advised him that as far as the FBI is concerned there appears to be no conceivable jurisdiction for us to conduct any inquiries upon receipt of information relating to a UFO sighting and, in the absence of some investigative jurisdiction based upon the information furnished, that information would be referred to the Department of the Air Force without any action being taken by the Bureau.

He thanked me for the information and stated that if any further contact was necessary he would call back.

ACTION: REC-64 DE-59 62-5-[illegible]-486

None. For information.

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1 - Mr. Cochran

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

June 15, 1977

Unidentified Flying Objects

Mr. Stanley Schneider
Assistant to the Director
Office of Science and Technology Policy
Executive Office of the President
Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Mr. Schneider:

Pursuant to our conversation today, there is enclosed a copy of the FBI Law Enforcement Bulletin for the month of February, 1975. Beginning on page 16 there is an article covering the handling of UFO sightings which may be of interest to you in connection with your current inquiry.

If there is any way we may be of additional service to you, please do not hesitate to let me know.

Sincerely yours,

Jay Cochran Jr.

Jay Cochran, Jr.
Assistant Director FBI
Technical Services Division

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REC-36 62-83894-485

JUN 17 1977

Enclosure

NOTE: Schneider originally called 6/14/77, see memo that date captioned White House Inquiry re UFO as to Bureau procedures for handling information received re UFO. He was advised in absence of jurisdiction no inquiries are conducted and information furnished to U. S. Air Force.

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FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

January 24, 1977

[redacted]
Department of the Air Force
Washington, D. C. 20330

Unidentified Flying Objects

Dear Colonel [redacted]

[redacted] has brought your letter of January 14th, with enclosure, to my attention. I join him in thanking you for sending us a copy of your UFO Fact Sheet and for apprising us of the termination of your project.

Sincerely yours,

Donald W. Moore, Jr.
Assistant Director
External Affairs Division

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DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20330

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

11 JAN 1977

Unidentified Flying Objects

Dear Mr. Malmfeldt:

This office recently received a public inquiry regarding UFOs, referred to us from the Bureau. As the inclosed fact sheet indicates, the Air Force's "Project Blue Book" investigation of UFOs was terminated on December 17, 1969, and all related documentation was turned over to the National Archives and Records Service.

The inquirer referred to us has been apprised of these events. Hopefully, the inclosed fact sheet will be of help in responding to any future inquiries on this subject.

Sincerely,

H. A. McCLANAHAN, Lt Col, USAF
Chief, Civil Branch
Community Relations Division
Office of Information

Attachment

Federal Bureau of Investigation
Attention: Mr. Malmfeldt, Room 7825
Washington, D. C. 20535

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ENCLOSURE

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There are a number of universities and professional scientific organizations such as the American Association for the Advancement of Science, which have considered UFO phenomena during periodic meetings and seminars. In addition, a list of private organizations interested in aerial phenomena may be found in Gale's Encyclopedia of Associations (Edition 8, Vol I, pp. 432-3). Such timely review of the situation by private groups insures that sound evidence will not be overlooked by the scientific community.

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1. Sighting Summary
2. UFO-related Materials

UFO FACT SHEET

On December 17, 1969 the Secretary of the Air Force announced the termination of Project Blue Book, the Air Force program for the investigation of UFOs.

The decision to discontinue UFO investigations was based on an evaluation of a report prepared by the University of Colorado entitled, "Scientific Study of Unidentified Flying Objects;" a review of the University of Colorado's report by the National Academy of Sciences; past UFO studies; and Air Force experience investigating UFO reports during the past two decades.

As a result of these investigations and studies, and experience gained from investigating UFO reports since 1948, the conclusions of Project Blue Book are: (1) no UFO reported, investigated, and evaluated by the Air Force has ever given any indication of threat to our national security; (2) there has been no evidence submitted to or discovered by the Air Force that sightings categorized as "unidentified" represent technological developments or principles beyond the range of present day scientific knowledge; and (3) there has been no evidence indicating that sightings categorized as "unidentified" are extraterrestrial vehicles.

With the termination of Project Blue Book, the Air Force regulation establishing and controlling the program for investigating and analyzing UFOs was rescinded. All documentation regarding the former Blue Book investigation has been permanently transferred to the Modern Military Branch, National Archives and Records Service, 8th and Pennsylvania Avenue, Washington, D.C. 20408, and is available for public review and analysis.

Attached for your information is the Project Blue Book sighting summary for the period 1947-1969. Also included is a listing of UFO-related materials currently available.

Since the termination of Project Blue Book, no evidence has been presented to indicate that further investigation of UFOs by the Air Force is warranted. In view of the considerable Air Force commitment of resources in the past, and the extreme pressure on Air Force funds at this time, there is no likelihood of renewed Air Force involvement in this area.

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TOTAL UFO SIGHTINGS, 1947 - 1969

YEAR	TOTAL SIGHTINGS	UNIDENTIFIED
1947	122	12
1948	156	7
1949	186	22
1950	210	27
1951	169	22
1952	1,501	303
1953	509	42
1954	487	46
1955	545	24
1956	670	14
1957	1,006	14
1958	627	10
1959	390	12
1960	557	14
1961	591	13
1962	474	15
1963	399	14
1964	562	19
1965	887	16
1966	1,112	32
1967	937	19
1968	375	3
1969	146	1
TOTAL	12,618	701

UFO MATERIALS

Scientific Study of Unidentified Flying Objects. Study conducted by the University of Colorado under contract F44620-76-C-0035. Three volumes, 1,465 p. 68 plates. Photoduplicated hard copies of the official report may be ordered for $6 per volume, $18 the set of three, as AD 680:975, AD 680:976, and AD 680:977, from the National Technical Information Service, U.S. Department of Commerce, Springfield, VA 22151.

Review of University of Colorado Report on Unidentified Flying Objects. Review of report by a panel of the National Academy of Sciences. National Academy of Sciences, 1969, 6p. Photoduplicated hard copies may be ordered for $3 as AD 688:541 from the National Technical Information Service, U.S. Department of Commerce, Springfield, VA 22151.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

1 - Mr. W. A. Wannall

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TO : Mr. W. R. Wannall

DATE: 8/22/74

FROM : [redacted] TJS

[redacted]

SUBJECT: MILITARY INQUIRY REGARDING UNIDENTIFIED OBJECT THAT FELL FROM SKY AT MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN 8/21/74; INFORMATION CONCERNING

At 12:07 a.m., 8/22/74, Security Patrol Clerk (SPC) [redacted] Intelligence Division received a call via Command Center telephone from a Major [redacted] NMCC (National Military Command Center). Major [redacted] asked for any information the FBI might have concerning a report that an unidentified object which fell from the sky at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, had been recovered by local police and turned over to the Milwaukee Office of the FBI.

No information available at Intelligence Division. Night Duty Supervisor [redacted], called SPC [redacted] Milwaukee Office, who advised an unidentified object had been recovered by [redacted] at about 5:55 p.m., 8/21/74, but that it was still in possession of [redacted]. He said a [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] had called the Milwaukee FBI Office to report the recovery. Very little was known about the object which was described as about 13 x 8 x 5 inches, metallic in substance and color, jagged on one side and had an "internal heat source." [redacted] notified military locally.

Above information was relayed to Major [redacted] with suggestion he might like to contact Captain [redacted] Milwaukee Police Department.

This matter received United Press International Coverage on morning of 8/22/74.

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For information.

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April 15, 1974
1 - Mr. Mintz

EX-111

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[redacted]
Arlington, Virginia 22204

Dear Mr. [redacted]

Your letter was received on April 3rd.

In response to your request for information from FBI files regarding your activities in the unidentified flying objects research field, please be advised that we have no such information in our files except copies of prior correspondence with you and a record of your September 17, 1963, interview. Therefore, we have no documents to send to you and cannot further comply with your request.

Sincerely yours,

C. M. Kelley

Clarence M. Kelley
Director

1 - Norfolk - Enclosure
Attention: Special Agent [redacted]
1 - Bufile 62-115530 (FOI-REPLIES)

NOTE: Bufiles reflect prior correspondence with [redacted] regarding UFO's of which copies have been made and are being furnished to him. Data pertaining to the interview is contained in an incoming airtel from Norfolk dated 9/24/63. SA [redacted] of the Norfolk Office was contacted and apparently the interview of [redacted] in 1963 was initiated because of voluminous correspondence which [redacted] had sent to Federal and military as well as law enforcement agencies.

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[redacted]
Arlington, Virginia 22204
March 31, 1974

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Flying Saucers

Dear Sir:

On September 17, 1963, Mr. [redacted], an FBI agent of the Newport News, Va. contingent, visited me at my place of employment (Ft. Eustis, Va.) to interview me as to my interest in the subject of unidentified flying objects (UFO's). I understand that Mr. [redacted] prepared a formal report of that interview.

Since President Nixon recently has expressed his intention to assure that the privacy and civil liberties of individual citizens receive the protection they deserve under our form of government, it is in the spirit of that assurance that I respectfully request that you send me a copy of Mr. [redacted] report along with a copy of all other documents in your files pertaining to my activities in the UFO-research field.

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Yours sincerely,

[redacted]

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Copy furnished to: Director, Washington, D. C. Office, American Civil Liberties Uni

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Legal Counsel

CORRESPONDENCE

REC-26 62-83894-480

October 25, 1973

EX-117

[redacted]
La Habra, California 90631

Dear Mr. [redacted]

In reply to your letter received on October 23rd, the investigation of Unidentified Flying Objects is not and never has been a matter that is within the investigative jurisdiction of the FBI. Therefore, I cannot comment as you suggested. I regret that I am unable to be of assistance in this instance.

Sincerely yours,
C. M. Kelley

Clarence M. Kelley
Director

NOTE: Correspondent is not identifiable in Bufiles.

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WASHINGTON D.C.
ZIP CODE 20535

Flying Saucers

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LA HABRA, CA
THURSDAY, OCTOB
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DEAR SIR,

I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW IF THE UFO SIGHTINGS IN THE SKY AR TRUE OR FALSE. THERE HAVE BEE NUMEROUS SIGHTINGS RIGHT HER IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. WHAT KIND OF BEINGS OR PEOPLE FL THESE FAST MOVING MACHINES? I THAT THESE SIGHTINGS ACROSS UNITED STATES FROM THE ATL COAST TO THE PACIFIC COAST IN THE GULF OF MEXICO SHOU BE REPORTED TO PRESIDENT NI MAYBE HE KNOWS WHY THEY AR SCARING CERTAIN PEOPLE IN THI COUNTRY. THE F.B.I. SHOULD ON THE LOOKOUT FOR MORE OF T SIGHTINGS RIGHT AROUND WASH D.C.. PLEAS[illegible]ET [illegible]E KNOW YOUR ANSWER THANK YOU.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 3/20/73

FROM : SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-0) (C)

SUBJECT: [redacted]
INFORMATION CONCERNING

OO: SAN ANTONIO

C Flying Discs

Enclosed for the Bureau are four copies of an LHM reflecting information provided by Sgt. [redacted], United States Air Force, Recruiting Depot, Waco, Texas concerning the subject. One copy of LHM is also being furnished to Dallas.

This information is being furnished to the Bureau for proper dissemination to the military due to the particular request made by the subject concerning UFO (unidentified flying objects).

Interview of Sgt. [redacted] was conducted by SA [redacted] of the FBI in Waco, Texas on 3/9/73.

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1 copy of encl. given to [redacted] representative National Agency Check Center on 3-27-73

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
San Antonio, Texas

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

March 20, 1973

[redacted]

On March 9, 1973, Sergeant [redacted] United States Air Force, Recruiting Office, Professional Building, Waco, Texas, advised that a man identifying himself as [redacted] [redacted] contacted the night-shift supervisor at the [redacted] [redacted] and inquired regarding any information the [redacted] could be able to furnish him concerning any unidentified flying objects observed in the Waco, Texas area. [redacted] had identified himself as a Captain in the United States Air Force. [redacted] was described as having on an Air Force uniform with a chaplain's badge on the uniform. [redacted] also had in his possession at the time a folder marked Top Secret which contained pictures of various military installations. No specific information concerning these photos could be provided by Sergeant [redacted]

Sergeant [redacted] stated that when [redacted] was informed that they could provide no information to him he left his card which contained his name and the following information:

Address: [redacted]
Dallas, Texas
Phone: [redacted]

Sergeant [redacted] advised that the individual did not act in any strange manner, and did not attempt to obtain anything other than information from the newspaper. Sergeant Stigliano advised that this information was being furnished to the proper authorities only for information purposes as they do not suspect any unlawful activity.

This document contains neither recommendations nor conclusions of the FBI. It is the property of the FBI and is loaned to your agency; it and its contents are not to be distributed outside your agency.

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ENCLOSU..

February 23, 1972

REC-5 62-83891-478

EX-115

Miss [redacted]

Westmoreland City, Pennsylvania 15692

Dear Miss [redacted]

I regret that I am unable to comment as you requested in your letter of February 15th. The investigation of Unidentified Flying Objects is not and never has been a matter that is within the investigative jurisdiction of the FBI.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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NOTE: Bufiles reflect no record of correspondent.

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[redacted]
Westmoreland City, Pa.
15692
February 15, 1972

Dear Mr. Hoover,

I would please like your opinion on U.F.O's. whether or not you think they exist or not.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

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February 15, 1972

Dear Mr. Hoover,

I would please like your opinion on U.F.O's. whether or not you think they exist or not.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

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CORRESPONDENCE

62-83894-478

OFFICE OF THE [illegible] OF STAFF FOR INTELLIGENCE
[illegible] C. 20310

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Date: 23 July 1971

TO:
☒ FBI Attn: LNO MR. GRAHAM DAY, RM 1012, 9th & D
☐ CIA Attn: LNO
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☐ USASA Attn: Dir of Security
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☒ Attached forwarded for your information.

☒ Attached forwarded for appropriate action.

☐ No further action contemplated by this office.

☐ Your office will be kept informed of status of this case.

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Cys Furnished:
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ALFRED G. KEGGINS
LTC, GS
CHIEF, CI DIVISION

ACSI Form 343
21 Jan 71

The office symbols for OACSI which will appear in AR 340-12 are obsolete due to a reorganization of OACSI. Please use office symbol that appears on this correspondence in correspondence addressed to this office.

62-83894-477

June [illegible], 1972

ACS -

THE PENTAGON
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sirs:

In approximately seven months or January, 1972, certain copies of top-secret documents shall be sent to the New York Times as well as two other newspapers. These documents are related to and will be an ostentation of the involvement of t pentagon in the controversial "Unidentified Flying Objects" or "Flying Saucer" subject. It will show that not only the U.S. Air Force was involved in UFO resea but the other military branches as well.

Analysis and the actual conclusions of the classic UFO cases shall be reveal This shall be accomplished by zeroxed documents and photographs that General Wolfe had reviewed when he was head of the Army's UFO support program in the Pentagon during the Eisenhower years.

Sorry, but it is concluded here that this is the best course to take because we feel that the secret UFO investigations are parallel in nature to the Times-Pentagon Vietnam controversy. If we are wrong in taking this action, time will t

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cc R/S & encl Returned to ACSI - NO ACTION CONTEMPLATED.
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62-83894

June 24, 1970

Dear Sir, FLYING SAUCERS

Just out of curiosity, if a person were to stumble across, built, or invent, a, shall we say, central drive unit that would power a flying saucer without the need of an exhaust or outward thrust that jets need, and I don't mean a fan or anything like that, But an engine like thing that could be placed in a completly sealed craft and would hang suspended in air or travel at speeds beyond man's comprehension, would it be considered top secret or anything? Also what should a person do with it? 62-83894-4

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An answer to this letter would be greatly appreciated by me.

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Sincerely,

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CORRESPONDENCE

FILE

60 JUL 10 1970

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October 13, 1969

[redacted]
Ajax, Ontario, Canada

Dear [redacted]

The letter from you, [redacted] and [redacted] was received on October 8th.

The investigation of Unidentified Flying Objects is not and never has been a matter that is within the investigative jurisdiction of the FBI. I can assure you the photograph you mentioned does not represent employees of this Bureau.

Enclosed is some material relating to the work of this Bureau which I hope will be of interest to you.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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OCT 13 1969
COMM-FBI

Enclosures (6)
3 copies of The Story of the FBI
3 copies of 99 Facts About the FBI

NOTE: Correspondents are not identifiable in Bufiles. The photograph in question has previously come to the Bureau's attention and is known to have appeared in a publication in Europe concerning unidentified flying objects. A caption under the photograph alleges two FBI Agents are leading a person from outer space down the street.

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[redacted]
Ajax, Ontario.
Canada.

Dear Sirs,

Our club is very interested in the study of Unidentified Flying Objects. We were studying a magazine called UFO'S A Pictorial and on one of the pagesthere was a picture of a supposedly man from outer space who was being held by two men. Above the picture it stated the the two men were FBI agents who had captured this man and were walking down b an American street. It had also stated that the picture had first been published in an XXXXXXXXGerman newspaper. There was no other additional information. We would appreciate it if you would send us a letter telling us whether this is true or untrue. Could you please send us the information.

We have three members in our club they are [redacted]

Sicerely yours the

[redacted]

[redacted] Ajax Ontario Canada

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Federal Bureau Of Investigation
Washington D.C.

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1 - Liaison
August 7, 1969

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RE: [redacted]

Flying Saucers

By letter dated January 20, 1965, [redacted] of [redacted] London, S.W. 7, wrote to the FBI asking whether it is the usual procedure for FBI Agents to investigate reports of unidentified flying objects which have been seen on the ground. [redacted]'s letterhead indicated that he was a "[redacted]" and "[redacted]." By letter dated January 26, 1965, Mr. [redacted] was informed that such matters did not come within our investigative jurisdiction. (62-83894-442)

On November 26, 1966, Mr. [redacted] again wrote the FBI stating that the response to his earlier letter had been destroyed in a recent fire in his home and asking whether FBI policy concerning investigation of UFO's remained unchanged. His letter was written on a new letterhead containing the same address and the same reference to membership in the [redacted] He was informed by letter of November 30, 196 that our policy remained unchanged, and he was furnished a copy of our prior communication.

[redacted]

Sent to RIS(5-15) 8-6-69

1 - [redacted]
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1 - Foreign Liaison Unit (detached)

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May 21, 1969

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62-83894-1173

EX-100 [redacted]
Del City, Oklahoma 73115

Dear Mr. [redacted]

Mr. Hoover read your letter received on May 19th.

He asked that I advise you that the FBI has no information it can send to you regarding the rumors you have heard. He also asked that I furnish you the enclosed publications concerning our organization.

A copy of your communication is being forwarded to the Office of Special Investigations, Department of the Air Force, Washington, D. C., to which its contents may be of interest.

Sincerely yours,

H Helen Gandy

Helen W. Gandy
Secretary

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Enclosures (2)
Know Your FBI
99 facts about the FBI

1 - Oklahoma City - Enclosure
Attention SAC: Correspondent is not identifiable in Bufiles.

NOTE: A copy of correspondent's letter is being furnished to the Office of Special Investigations, Department of the Air Force, by form.

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May 14, 1969

[redacted]
Del City, Okla. 73115

Federal Bureau of Investigation
Penn. Ave. & 9th. NW.
Wash., D.C. 19806

Flying Saucers

Dear Sirs;

There currently are rumors over the grapevine and in print that suggest men with oriental features wearing dark clothes go around terrorizing people who have had close-up views of UFO's. It is also rumored these creatures have impersonated armed forces officer and FBI investigators. They are supposed to ride around in black or dark automobiles that either have old licence tags or none at all. Several are reported to have attemped to run down witnesses of UFO sightings, made disturbing almost macabre phone calls, silenced several investigators who were supposed to have learned some dark secret about extraterrestial craf or mission plans and opened mail, tapped telephones and even taken picture of several homes where UFO witnesses lived.

Can you give me any information on such rumors? Or can y refer me to a source whose facilities can answer my questions?

this information will help settle some disturbing questions the readers of my articles. Personally I am not sure at all whether I can fully accept these rumours as facts. I need more information.

Any information you supply can ease the worries of people who feel that the objects unknown they see in the sky may portend the visit of a mysterious visitor.

Yours Truly,
/s/ Mr. [redacted]

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P.S. If there are any pamphets covering the FBI's functions you feel I will need, please send them along.

PCL

May 14, 1969

[redacted]
Del City, Okla
7311

Federal Bureau of Investigation
Penn. Ave. & 9th. NW.
Wash., D.C. 19806

Dear Sirs;

There currently are rumors over the grapevine and in print that suggest men with oriental features wearing dark clothes go around terrorizing people who have had close-up views of UFO's. It is also rumored these creatures have impersonated armed forces officers and FBI investigators. They are supposed to ride around i black or dark automobiles that either have old license tag or none at all. Several are reported to have attemped to run down witnesses of UFO sightings, made disturbing almost macabre phone calls, silenced several investigators who were supposed to have learned some dark secret about extraterrestial craft or mission plans and opened mail, tapped telephones and even taken pictures of several homes where UFO witnesses lived.

[illegible]

Can you give me any information on such rumours Or can you refer me to a source whose facilities can answer my questions?

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CORRESPONDENCE

This information will help settle some disturbing question the readers of my articles. Personally I am not sure at all whether I can fully accept these rumours as facts. I need more informations.

Any information you supply can ease the worries of people who feel that the objects unknown they see in the sky may portend the visit of a mysterious visitor.

Yours Truly,
Mr. [redacted]

P.S. If there are any pamphets covering the FBI's functions you feel I will need, please send them along.

MAY 1962 EDITION
GSA GEN. REG. NO. 27

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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TO : Mr. Gale

DATE: 5/16/69

FROM : W. V. Cleveland

SUBJECT: [redacted]
Compton, California
Telephone No. [redacted]
INFORMATION CONCERNING

[redacted]

Mr. [redacted] telephonically contacted the Bureau at 12:50 a.m. 5/16/69 and spoke with SA [redacted] Special Investigative Division.

Saucer

[redacted] stated he is a former CIA Agent and wanted to report to the Director that recently he has been seeing flying objects. He requested that the Director call him on 5/16/69 concerning this matter. He was advised that Mr. Hoover would be unavailable.

From [redacted] tone of voice it appeared he was intoxicated. He advised that he was recently discharged as a patient from the psycho ward of a Veteran's hospital.

Information in Bureau indices (66-3182-8679) indicates individual possibly identical with captioned subject called Bureau 5/1/69, at which time he rambled about numerous subjects and his speech indicated he had been drinking. At that time no record identifiable with [redacted] was located in Bureau files.

ACTION: For information. A check is being made with CIA to determine if they have a former agent identical with [redacted]

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62-83894-472

1 - Miss Holmes
1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Bishop
1 - Mr. Gale
1 - Mr. Cleveland
1 - Mr. [redacted]

* Liaison Agent [redacted] caused complete search of CIA indices regarding [redacted] with negative results. WVC:pnh

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May 7, 1969

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EX-102

[redacted]

Belleville, New Jersey 07109

Dear Mr. [redacted]

I have received your letter of April 30th concerning an article you are preparing on Aerial Phenomena.

Although I would like to be of assistance, matters pertaining to Unidentified Flying Objects and Aerial Phenomena are not within the jurisdiction of the FBI. I regret we are unable to be of help.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

NOTE: Our files contain no information identifiable with correspondent.

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55 MAY 14 1969 TELETYPE UNIT ☐

[redacted]

April 30, 1969

Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C. 20535

Attention: Director

Sir:

I am doing an article for an Air Force magazine concerning Aerial Phenomenon and other so-called flying objects.

To help me out, I would like to know if the Bureau has ever received any such reports concerning the sightings or investigations of such objects. If so, would it be possible to send me some reports for us in my article.

Very truly yours,

[redacted]

Ack [illegible]
5-7-69
JCF:[illegible]

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March 19, 1969

John Edgar Hoover
United States Department of Justice
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington 25, D.C.

See 147-2[illegible]

Dear Mr. Hoover:

December 7, 1963, I observed in the sky at Moorestown, New Jersey, an unusual object and its unusual behavior. On December 8, 1963, just 24 hours later at Elkton, Maryland, the Pan American Aircraft with 73 passengers and a crew of eight perished when this aircraft exploded in mid air and crashed.

I sent a tape recording of the observation I had made on December 7, to Mr. J. Edgar Hoover and associated this object with the crash of this plane. Mr. Hoover informed me that the Civil Aeronautics Board was investigating this disaster and what I had sent to him would be forwarded to them, the C.A.B.

In the month of March, 1965, the C.A.B., released a report that this accident and cause was due to a lightning strike.

I protested to Senator Case of New Jersey. Senator Case mailed me the official report by the C.A.B., along with a letter by a Mr. [redacted], Director Community and Congressional Relations.

Upon reading the Official C.A.B. report on this accident and also this letter I have come to the conclusion that neither the C.A.B. or the writer of this letter know what they are talking about and have missed the point completely.

I claimed that the object which I seen was laying air mines and that this aircraft was destroyed by contact with one of these mines.

To substantiate my claim I would refer you to page 8 line 20 to line 24 inclusive of this report File #1-0015. Boeing 707-121 N709PA Pan American World Airways, Inc., near Elkton, Maryland, December 8, 1963.

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Page 8 line 20 to line 25 inclusive reads as follows:

(Metal splatters on the leading edge of the horizontal stabilizer were identified by spectrographic analysis as being formed from two different aluminum alloys. However, these alloys could not be identified since the chemical composition of the deposits did not conform to any alloy used in the airplane. The long axis of the deposits varied from 18 degrees inboard to 4 degrees outboard.)

On July 18, 1964, I made another observation, the details of which I sent to Harvard College Observatory, Cambridge, Mass. (This sighting was Astronomical not a man made object), a copy of their return letter is enclosed.

Somehow both of these observations had something in common, the color. I proceeded to experiment and have arrived at the following conclusions, after several hundred experiments had taken place.

I have bought books on Astronomy and also books on Flying Saucers. I know that this object was not astronomical in any way nor was it a Flying Saucer.

This object was a cleverly design missle camouflaged to appear as a Meteor or as a Flying Saucer.

However, this missle failed to operate as planned that is how I was able to see the complete details of the color and also the design, which I furnished to the government. I also know why this design was used and also why the colors were arranged as they were. My experiments proved this.

Thru my experiments I have been able to determine the following:

1. Where they get the tremendous speed from.
2. The wobbling effect they have on occasion.
3. Appearing to oscillate about their vertical axis.
4. Why they make no noise, condensation, or exhaust.
5. Whoshing and wheezing, humming noise on occasions.
6. Different colors they have.
7. Pulsating light.-Luminous appearance.
8. Different forms and shape.

These objects are constantly being sent over both the North and South Americas by Russia. Anyone seeing these objects are instantly responsive as to a flying saucer. Subjected to ridicule if this be mentioned to any one, and/or reported to the authorities.

Russia is well aware of this fact and has capitalized upon this fact. They have in this way been able to penetrate our Radar System undetected.

To conclude:

The present situation can be blamed upon the various governmental agencies who in the past have scoffed at and ridiculed people who have reported these sightings.

Now we are about to pay with 60,000,000 American lives or more. "Some price".

Our one hope is that Russia and China will go to war against one another. This then will give us time to created an effective and efficient Radar system that cannot be penetrated.

I am not a Phophet of Doom, just an American Citizen who is concerned about the future of America.

Sincerely yours,

[redacted]

Mt Holly NJ.

A copy of this letter is being sent to the following people:

President Nixon
J. Edgar Hoover
Senator Case of New Jersey
Senator Charles H. Percy of Illinois
Melvin Laird, Secretary of Defense

[redacted]

[redacted]

July 28, 1964

[redacted]

Mount Holly, New Jersey

Dear Mr. [redacted]

The object you saw was a bright meteor, sometimes called a "fireball" or a "bolide". Almost all very bright meteors are small bodies moving in orbits rather like the orbits of asteroids, and probably are fragments of asteroids. The direction of motion of your meteor is consistent with that sort of orbit. A good many bright meteors strike the earth each day, but most go unnoticed. We have received another report of the same meteor from Wilmington, Delaware.

I am sending your observation to the Moonwatch Division of the Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory here in Cambridge, which has a continuing program for analysis of visual observations of bright meteors. Since it is very rarely possible for the professional astronomer to observe these meteors, most of what is known about them depends on this sort of lucky chance.

Sincerely yours,

[redacted]

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Dear Sir,

O FLYING SAUCER

I am a student at Glendale City College in Glendale, California. This semester I'm doing a research paper on U. F. O.'s. I was wondering if you could send me any information you might have regarding the U. F. O. controversy. I would appreciate it very much if you could send me this information before March 20th as I would like to get started as soon as possible. Thank you very much for your time.

Sincerely yours,

[redacted]
La Canada, Calif. 91011

P.S. If you can't possibly get the information to me by the 20th, I would appreciate it if it was sent to me as close to that date as possible.

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Washington D.C.
Department of U.F.O.'s
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March 18, 1968

AIRMAIL

[redacted]
La Canada, California 91011

Dear [redacted]

I have received your letter of March 15th.

Although I would like to be of assistance, matters pertaining to Unidentified Flying Objects are not within the jurisdiction of the FBI.

I am referring a copy of your communication to the Director of Special Investigations, The Inspector General, Department of the Air Force, Washington, D. C. 20333 for any help he is in a position to offer you.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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NOTE: Correspondent could not identified in Bufiles.

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March 19, 1968

[redacted]
Waterloo, Illinois 62298

Dear Mr. [redacted]

Your letter of March 14th, with enclosure, has been received.

The investigation of Unidentified Flying Objects is not and never has been a matter that is within the investigative jurisdiction of the FBI. I can assure you the photograph you mentioned does not represent employees of this Bureau.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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MAR 19 1968
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NOTE: Bufiles contain no record of correspondent. The photograph in question has previously come to the Bureau's attention and is known to have appeared in a publication in Europe concerning unidentified flying objects. A caption under the photograph alleges two FBI Agents are leading a person from outer space down the street.

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TRUE COPY

Dear Sir FLYING SAUCER

My name is [redacted] I work for the ~~United~~ United Saucer Hunter Organization, I am writting this in regard to a report that the FB.I had captured a saucer occupant this was published in a flying saucer mag. along with a photo of two alleged FBI agents and a saucer occupant. is this true? does the FBI really have a saucer man?

Very truly U.S.A

/s/

[redacted]

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Dept of Justice
Washington D.C.

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MAR 19 1968

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Very Truly

[redacted]

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CORRESPONDENCE

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 1/23/68

FROM : SAC, DALLAS (62-1311)(C)

SUBJECT: UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS
MISCELLANEOUS -
INFORMATION CONCERNING

There is enclosed for the Bureau one Xerox copy of a letter dated 11/20/67, from Mr. [redacted] Arlington, Texas 76010, received by the Dallas Office on 1/19/68 in an envelope postmarked at Arlington, Texas, 1/17/68.

The enclosed letter reflects the formation of a subcommittee of the [redacted] in the Dallas - Fort Worth area, the purpose of which organization is to conduct scientific investigation of unidentified flying objects. TEXAS

This letter has been acknowledged and a copy of same has been furnished OSI, Tinker AFB for its information.

The acknowledgement to Mr. [redacted] pointed out to him th information concerning unidentified flying objects received by this bureau is, by requirement, currently furnished to the U. S. Air Force.

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20 November 1967

To:

From: [redacted]
Arlington, Texas 76010

Subj: Request for Information on Sightings of Unidentified Aerial Phenomena in the Dallas-Ft. Worth Area

1. A subcommittee of the [redacted] has recently been established in the Dallas-Ft. Worth area. [redacted] is a private, non-profit organization directed by Major Donald E. Keyhoe, USMC (Ret) from the National Headquarters in Washington, D. C. The purpose of the organization is to conduct scientific investigation of Unidentified Flying Objects. It now has 14,000 associate members in 50 states. The organization is not interested in the alleged psychic, occult, mystical, or religious aspects of UFO phenomena.

2. [redacted] subcommittees, of which there are 30 in the United States, are composed of qualified individuals in technical or investigative fields, who are selected and appointed by the Washington office.

3. [redacted] is currently working closely with the Colorado Project, a comprehensive study of UFO's begun in November 1966, by a group of distinguished scientists at the University of Colorado under a U. S. Air Force contract.

4. The local subcommittee earnestly solicits your support in reporting to the Committee Chairman any UFO sightings occuring in this area. It is especially important that the NICAP committee be contacted immediately in cases of reported UFO sightings where photographs have been taken or physical evidence remains after the observation.

[redacted]
Subcommittee Chairman
[redacted]

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 10/10/67

FROM : SAC, DALLAS (62-0)

SUBJECT: UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS;
ANONYMOUS INFORMANT
DALLAS, TEXAS, 10/9/67
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Enclosed are six copies of an LHM containing information of interest to the Air Force. One copy has been furnished to OSI, Tinker AFB, Oklahoma.

The information in the enclosed LHM was received by SA [redacted]

No further information is being taken.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Dallas, Texas
October 10, 1967

Re: UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS;
ANONYMOUS INFORMANT
DALLAS, TEXAS
OCTOBER 9, 1967

A young white female, who refused to give her name, appeared at the Dallas FBI Office on October 9, 1967. She stated she is interested in Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs) and has received a quantity of information concerning beings from outer space. She stated she will not reveal her identity as she would feel like a fool if this information is not true. She stated if it is true, however, she will meet with interested officials and furnish all the information she has, provided nothing is done to endanger her safety.

She stated in July, 1967, she met a being from another planet who had assumed earthly form. He gave her certain information, then he was picked up and departed from the earth on August 21, 1967. She stated she then received messages from non-earthly sources in a manner she refused to discuss. She stated these sources told her of the following:

(1) An antimissile missile was fired at a UFO over Africa on May 22, 1962, but the UFO was protected by its "force field."

(2) A UFO was detected 22,000 miles from earth by radar about August 6, 1967.

(3) A UFO was detected over Antartica August 20, 1967.

(4) A UFO was detected over the "Dewline" in the past week and was shot down, and beings from outer space are trying to recover it.

Informant would furnish no further details. She stated if this information is true, she will know other information

This document contains neither recommendations nor conclusions of the FBI. It is the property of the FBI and is loaned to your agency. It and its contents are not to be distributed outside your agency.

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SHE received is true, and will furnish full details. This will include information regarding the destruction of a moon explorer vehicle by beings from outer space, and how those beings shot down the Russian Cosmonaut.

She stated she fears for her life if it becomes known she contacted officials, as persons who saw UFOs have died mysteriously in the past. She stated if Air Force officials want to contact her she can be reached by a message to a telephone number she has given an FBI Agent, and she will meet officials at the Dallas FBI Office only.

REC-64 62-83894-462

EX-108

October 3, 1967

[redacted]
Winchester, Virginia 22601

Dear Mr. [redacted]

Your letter of September 27th, with enclosure, has been received.

The investigation of Unidentified Flying Objects is not and never has been a matter that is within the investigative jurisdiction of the FBI. I can assure you the photograph you mentioned does not represent employees of this Bureau. [illegible] custody of an occupant of a flying saucer.

Enclosed is some material relating to the work of this Bureau which I hope will be of interest to you. Also, the photograph you forwarded is being returned.

MAILED 19
OCT 3 1967
COMM - FBI

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Enclosures (3)
Know Your FBI
The Story of the Federal Bureau of Investigation

NOTE: Correspondent is not identifiable in Bufiles. The photograph in question has previously come to the Bureau's attention and is known to have appeared in a publication in Europe concerning unidentified flying objects. A caption under the photograph alleges two FBI Agents are leading a person from outer space down the street.

OCT 10 1967

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TRUE COPY

Dear Sirs:

Would you please comment on the enclosed picture that is marked with an "X" and return the picture with your reply. Thank you.

/s/ [redacted]
Winchester, Va. 22601

Flying Saucers

Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C.

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WINCHESTER, VA. 22601

Dear Sirs:

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your reply. Thank you.

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August 24, 1967

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Mr. [redacted]
[redacted]
San Francisco, California 94121

Dear Mr. [redacted]

Mr. Hoover received your letter of August 19th, with enclosure, and wanted you to know he appreciates your best wishes. He asked me to thank you for sending the publication you forwarded to him.

Sincerely yours,

Helen Gandy

Helen W. Gandy
Secretary

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NOTE: Bufiles contain nothing identifiable regarding correspondent and no record of the publication, "ufo contact." Inasmuch as correspondent might possibly use a letter from the Director in some manner to promote this magazine, an in-absence reply is deemed advisable.

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August 19, 1967

Unidentified Flying Objects

Director J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

A very Happy Birthday....... July 1967.

I am very Lucky to have the opportunity this afternoon to be able to Introduce to you the ufo contact igap journal. This magazine has been dedicated to Mr. George Adamski.

My letter to you and the enclosed magazine is a project of my own. I am a reporter for ufo contact, and in this way I hope to bring to the attention of V.I.P. of our country, our magazine and the message that it contains, to the reader. I don't sell the magazine, but plan to give it to the person I write to as a gift. The cost is my own, and the experience I will gain will be my reward, perhaps an advancement to the position of co-worker for IGAP in the future.

Thank you very much for giving me a moment of your time. I am sure you will find our magazine interesting.

May I again wish you a very Happy Birthday! (Walter Winchell) Column

Your Friend,

[redacted]

San Francisco, California
ZIP CODE: 94121

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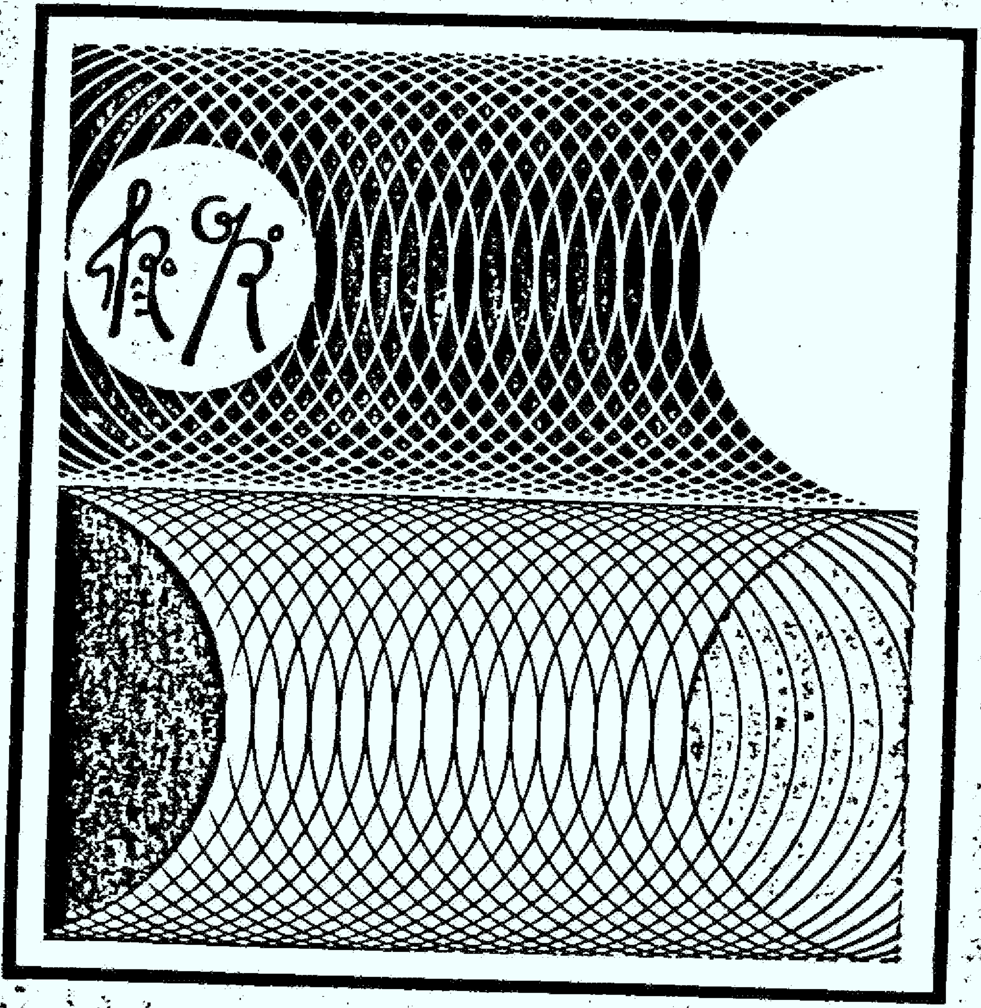

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The Editors.

Purpose and scop

This magazine has been dedicated to
MR. GEORGE ADAMSKI.

Mr. Adamski launched the IGAP – International Get Acquainted Program – in 1959, based on the philosophy that people in all parts of the world should be given the opportunity of knowing what is going on everywhere in the field of flying saucers. His hope was that as many as possible would discover the truth of the present age and turn to face the time to come – to learn to accept, through conviction, the fact that we are all citizens of the Cosmos and Children of the Cosmic Power whose Laws run through the entire Cosmos. These Laws we can learn to comprehend through study and understanding of the »Science of Life« brought to our attention by the presence of friendly visitors from other worlds.

The magazine is sent to civil and military authorities all over the world, to leaders in the United Nations, in the Vatican, in scientific circles, and to Press, radio and TV authorities.

The purpose of this magazine is to bring to everyone, everywhere, news of events from all quarters of the globe in all its varied aspects. This means any news that can possibly be of value in our endeavour to bring to mankind an understanding of what is going on in our world all the time. We shall try to detect any and every move in the direction of that truth which we have accepted, but which is not yet officially accepted or recognized in broader circles:

1. People from other worlds in our system are visiting our planet.
2. People from other worlds are in contact with certain political and scientific circles in East and West.
3. People from all walks of life, official and unofficial, all over the world, have been contacted by people from other worlds; such contacts have been kept secret so far.
4. The philosophy brought to the world by Mr. George Adamski is considered and aid helping to uncover the truth of our origin and our future destiny.

The magazine will make no attempt whatsoever to fight anyone, in spite of any action which might be launched against it. Only the truth, whatever its guise, will be brought to bear, to allow each to decide for himself what he can and will accept in this wonderful world on his march forward to new experiences.

This magazine is non-political, non-religious, non-sectarian and non-profit-making. We hope that you may profit from reading it, and that you will tell as many as possible about it, – especially if you find it of value. Please write to us if you find it without value or if you have any suggestions or comments to make.

Sincerely yours,
The Editors.

EDITORIAL...

"WE ARE NOT OPPOSED TO A COURT JESTER on the green lawns of the Royal Palace, provided he is not taken for an astronomical philosopher – –".

Here, with all the arrogance of the self-opinionated, self-appointed judge, in words of ignorance, mated with bigotry and begotten of an inflated egotism, we see a small section of that vociferous but often influential Press opinion which always swallows before it chews.

The occasion was the much-publicised, much-criticised audience of Queen Juliana of the Netherlands accorded to one George Adamski of California, U.S.A., at 11 a.m. on May 18th 1959, at Soestdijk Palace, near Utrecht, Holland.

The vociferous Press opinion in this instance was of the Catholic People's Party newspaper, "Die Volkskrant".

We could imagine the same self-elevated journalist writing: "We are not opposed to a court jester in the private apartments at the Vatican, provided – –", on another May day, of another 11 a.m. audience, much more secret, of much more potential significance, four years later, when Adamski was received at the bed-side of the dying Pope John.

Of the one audience, with a gracious First Lady, the world's sensation tabloids went to town. Lacking the meat of the occasion on which to feast their readers they gave them the bones and the offal, and in the process they soiled and besmirched their own honourable profession.

The second audience was spared this treatment, and still is.

And so we can perceive how some of George Adamski's meetings with the famous received the full blast of publicity, whilst others, conducted in a secret undercurrent of diplomacy peopled with silent couriers and intercontinental briefings, are still, very much, "classified".

Adamski was NEVER afraid of the scoffers and the critics, still less of the faceless spokesmen in authority. With energy which had to be seen to be believed, with courage of conviction based in sure knowledge of his own experiences, and with fortitude distilled from the sweet and the sour of his supporters and his detractors, HE DIDN'T GIVE A DAMN.

He could have written "pot-boilers" of space-fiction in his sunny California, like many of his contemporaries, making a fortune from the credulous. This is shown by the fact that his books became world best-sellers in many languages. Yet in 12 years he only offered TWO AND A HALF BOOKS to the general public. Does this seem like a man who is "on the make?"

No. Instead he pushed and shoved his way; the, many times, inhospitable climate of "expert" analysis and clinical dissection, saying: "Here is my evidence, here is my story – TAKE IT OR LEAVE IT!"

AND HE DIED, DOING JUST THAT.

What kept him going for so long? What kept the flame so bright for those 12-13 long, bitter-sweet years? His tremendous sense of humour? YES! His many thousands of friends and supporters the world over? YES, THESE ALSO!

But his faith in a DIVINE INTELLIGENCE and sure knowledge of the existence and the helpful presence friends from other planets in space, were the Rod of good, spiritually- and physically-healthy human and the Staff on which he leaned, until he died.

G.A.'s "end" was but a beginning. And when he "graduated" others took over.

He knew, in those last few months, that it wouldn't be long. Already he knew those who were going to carry on his work. And the Brothers and the Sisters, those friends from across the seas of space, were busy in their task of forging new links, reshaping the pattern of their contacts with those close to Adamski.

AS WITH GEORGE ADAMSKI, the Brothers continue to furnish evidence of their presence in our skies. New films, startling in their clarity, are being provided by G.A.'s Co-workers. New accounts of recent contact with the men and women visiting us are evidence of their continued interest in our welfare.

Here, in this issue of UFO CONTACT, you will see more photographic presentation of "Unidentified Flying Objects". In some strange fashion, by some peculiar "co-incidence", another of G.A.'s close associates is enabled to take startling movie-film shots of objects in the sky. With this new evidence we shall show, too, how Adamski's successors are STILL pushing the experts. STILL offering for examination photographic proof of "inexplicable phenomena" in the skies above us.

There are always those who are ready to jeer and deride. This is a peculiar facet of the human psychology which stems almost solely from ignorance. But, thank God, there are those also who, in the face of public intolerance and apathy, are able to stand out from the rest and say of the pioneer: "Give the man his chance, let the man have his say".

As we have said a few words back, evidence is still being provided of our extraterrestrial visitors' presence on and above our planet. That this evidence remains a puzzle, – or gives the impression, at least, of remaining a puzzle – to competent "experts", despite public pronouncements made by the head of Project Blue Book, the U.S.A.F.'s UFO agency, that UFO's are NOT from Outer Space, ("Evening Telegram", San Bernadino, California, February 15th 1967 – full report on Page 103, UFO CONTACT, April issue), is shown here in the pages of UFO CONTACT.

Once before, a gracious lady was willing, against much advice, to listen to the sincere words of a man who was still to battle for many years to come for the truth which he propounded. We ask again for that First Lady's gracious attention to certain matters which we believe, as in years gone by, will be of interest to her, also today.

Our Open Letter we respectfully address to –
Her Majesty, Queen Juliana of the Netherlands.

An open Letter

SOESTDIJK PALACE,
SOESTDIJK,
HOLLAND. JUNE 1967.

To Her Majesty, Queen Juliana.

Your Majesty,

We venture to approach you on a matter which we believe will be of some interest to you, the subject being one of immense importance, bearing as it does implications of a nature which might well affect in the future every aspect of human endeavour on this Earth.

The subject of which we speak has once before been brought to Your Majesty's attention, and, we understand, received careful consideration; in fact, it is in the belief that Your Majesty has shown more than usual interest that we make this approach today.

May we, with respect, ask you to cast your mind back 8 years. In May of 1959, Your Majesty was pleased to request the presence of Mr. George Adamski, of California, at Soestdijk Palace. Mr. Adamski was at that time on a world lecture-tour.

This gentleman had an unusual story to tell. He spoke of visitations to this planet by human beings from outer space. He spoke of kind human beings who had travelled in their spaceships, often called "flying saucers", from their home planets in our solar system, from Venus, from Saturn, Mars and others.

Their understanding was far ahead of our own, their sincere interest in our welfare was part of a philosophy of brotherhood and love for all of the Creator's Works.

This was George Adamski's story.

In 1959, the subject of flying saucers was considered by the majority to be laughable. Any attempt to discuss the possibility of beings technologically superior to us, visiting Earth in space craft travelling at fantastic speeds, was to dismiss all the scientific concepts of the day. Indeed, in 1959, scientists were only beginning to accept the remote possibility of "some form" of life, – and a one-cell life, in that, – existing anywhere at all outside of Earth. And any suggestion that intelligent beings existed who had progressed past the stages of wars and poverty and racial intolerance, was to speak of Heaven Itself.

Now, in 1967, many things have changed. The majority still laughs, yes. But one sees in the ever-expanding minority a level of radical but intelligent thought which would have been branded a "heresy" against the whole Establishment just a few years ago. With our own greatly-increased space activity and the near-proximity of an Earthman's landing on the Moon, ideas have had to change along with the immense changes in the means of travel.

What modern science has yet to discover, however, is an antidote to the enormously swollen ego of "Earth-man" which has gained nothing from the discoveries of Galileo other than a list of changed astronomical data and some very basic facts concerning the solar system in which we live.

What they have not yet learned from the "heretical" revelations of Galileo is that scientific "fact" of today is not necessarily scientific "fact" of tomorrow; that they, too, these modern scientists, may be called upon – and perhaps very soon – to change all previous concepts of astronomical physics and to accept that Earth-man is not, after all, alone in the Universe.

One of the pioneers in this school of thought was George Adamski. Since his passing, in April 1965, others have come forward to carry on his work.

Madam, on several occasions in the years since 1959, Mr. Adamski was given the opportunity of photographing some of these space craft on movie-film. These films have been shown widely in the United States and in certain countries in Europe. They have been viewed by persons in authority, including experts in many fields, as well as by millions of the general public by way of television.

The extraterrestrial human beings of whom Mr. Adamski spoke are still operating in the same pattern. Several of his helpers have been privileged to meet these people. New colour movies have been taken of their ships, on occasion with the deliberate connivance of the pilots of the craft concerned.

An American lady, Mrs. Madeleine Rodeffer, and two Germanborn, naturalised Americans, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Steckling, have been privileged not only to meet these friends from other planets but they have also been enabled to photograph the movement of their craft on colour-film.

All of these films have been viewed by persons in authority, including photographic experts of the U.S. National Aeronautics and Space Agency, (NASA), and they have yet to be faulted.

Madam, the reason for our approach in this Open Letter is this. Having heard from Mr. Adamski first-hand of his experiences, would Your Majesty care once more to hear of the visitations of the Brothers and Sisters who befriended him? They have made themselves known to others; there are courageous people still who battle against great odds fo .he they know to be right.

We believe that, with Your Majesty's approval, further evidence can be produced for your consideration which will help greatly your understanding of these matters, thereby encouraging others to seek the truth of these visitations from outer space. It is our sincere belief that there is far too much at stake for the world to continue to supress or ignore news of events of such magnitude.

Should Your Majesty so desire, George Adamski's friends would be honoured to tell their own stories and show their own films in Your Majesty's presence.

With respect,
Sincerely
The Editors.

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The evidence of the quiet contacts

by RONALD CASWELL.

"THEY'LL NEVER GET CLOSE ENOUGH when I've got this in my hand, you know, Ronald", said Fred with some conviction, looking down at the gleaming object he held on his knee. He had a slightly rueful smile on his face. He reminded me of a youngish Bob Hope in looks except that his nose was not so sharp and his face a little more rounded. 'It's a power zoom lens, see. It's fully automatic. – They know that if I get them on this, NO-ONE will .e able to deny it".

We sat near to the open French window of the .unge with the sun streaming in, I on the comfort-ble old settee, Fred on a highbacked chair, one .ee crossed over the other, looking thoughtfully at .s own fingers idly adjusting the lens-piece of the .ne-camera.

May Moriet was somewhere in the house, probably .ging through to some of the guests we were ex-.cting later in the day – or maybe she had driven .o Antwerp with Ingrid, Fred's wife, who had a .rdressing appointment that afternoon. Tomorrow . were to run through to The Hague to meet some .our Dutch friends who were arranging Fred's lect-. and film-show there.

.lans was about somewhere in the big old house. . had arranged for a few days' leave and travelled .m from Copenhagen some days before. Hans is .jor Petersen of the Royal Danish Air Force, organ-. of the European and Asian sections of IGAP. . may never live it down, but, much-travelled man . he is, he had left his passport back home! He . a huge chuckle as he described to us how he . managed to talk himself across the German .tier. Luckily his wife had now sent the passport

. had flown across to Brussels a few days before, September 1st, and drank coffee in the airport .ge with Pat Moriet, May's elder son, whilst we waited an hour or so for the Steckling's pla .o come in from Washington, via New York and Cologne. They were flying LUFTHANSA.

Patrick had them paged as the Cologne flight began to stream into the arrival bay, everyone on the look-out for the baggage coming up on the wide moving belt from below. Mrs. Suzy Peeters, May's lifelong friend, and Treasurer for the Belgian groups, arrived in her tiny Volksvagen and smilingly greeted us, together with Philip, May's younger son, who had been filming the aircraft from the airport roof. We were all old friends. Suzy was to help with extra transport back to Antwerp.

We looked at the people who were coming over to the inquiries desk; and the floor clattered with luggage-loaded trollies as the passengers came away from Customs and began passing through the barriers, some hurrying, some looking lost, others being greeted enthusiastically by waiting friends. The huge hall rang with sound, and above all were the disembodied voices speaking loftily from many hidden loudspeakers. We wondered what Fred and Ingrid would look like.

A neat-looking couple with a boy of about seven spoke to one of the clerks at the inquiries desk. They turned and faced us as the man pointed our way.

Fred was about 6 feet 10, Ingrid about 5-7. Glenn was looking around him at the high roof of the foyer. Ingrid was an attractive young woman with natural blonde hair, slim and wearing a white, two-piece suit. She did not look the type one would expect to see at a special private meeting of members of the United States Senate Aeronautics and Space Committee.

Fred seemed a rather serious-faced young man. Both were in their early thirties. Both were German-born, naturalised Americans. They had lived in Canada for some time prior to their arrival in the States. Only little Glenn's voice was totally American.

So this was Fred Steckling, the young man who had not wished to "take over", as George Adamski had hoped during the last few days of his illness in Washington. D.C. As Fred said, no-one could take G.A.'s place. So it was left at that. And George had died, not knowing. Or did he know, that wise old man?

Madeleine and Fred and Ingrid had just gone on working as before, only much harder. Telling G.A.'s story, showing his films, bothering the officials on Capitol Hill. And now they had Madeleine Rodeffer's film to show as well, the amazing close-up shots of the scout-craft hovering over her "front yard", which was in reality, the long sloping, grassy bank running from her house down to the road. At the most, a hundred feet in the air, level with the tall tree-tops.

Madeleine and Ingrid had faced a chilly reception committee at the private Senate hearing of January 1965, a couple of months before George died; and at the end of the showing of George's film sequences and a 45-minute verbal barrage from some sarcastic senators, Madeleine, who had worked [illegible]overnment office for many years, just stood up and told them that she wouldn't like to be in THEIR shoes when people found out what was being kept from them.

Did they think the public was blind?

Many had seen the planes chasing the saucers. Even children.

And Madeleine had come out of the committee-room seething with anger. A few weeks afterwards she had filmed a scout-ship over her own "front yard".

Fred loosened up a little as we sped along the road Brussels-Antwerp. Patrick, who studied at Brussels University, and who himself lectured on flying saucers, was a good driver, but fast!

"Madeleine was at the airport as we left Washington. Oh, and Linda, her friend, was with her. You know, that young woman who had some sightings. She's written to you, I think. A nice girl. There were two Brothers standing back a bit in the crowd. They weren't with Madeleine. Maybe she knew they were there."

He went on talking about some of the Brothers he had met. Ingrid joined in occasionally, her eyes bright and shining.

"Oh, Ronald!" she said, in her German-accented American, drawling the words. "If you only could meet them! There is this wonderful feeling of goodness that seems to reach out to you."

Fred's rather serious face relaxed a little as he spoke. One could see he was no fanatic. Fred Steckling and Ingrid were not money-grabbing "contactees" making a fast buck. They spoke quietly, but forcefully at times. Perhaps Fred could not quite shake off this feeling of having to convince someone all the time.

"Ronald," he said, after a rather long, somewhat tired silence. They'd been travelling for many, many hours. "Ronald, do you know, it's just as if they have our frequencies. I had a birthday a while back –" Ingrid was about to burst in with wife-like enthusiasm but Fred's voice stopped her. "I had a birthday a while back," Fred went on. "Ingrid and I were watching T.V. I don't remember the show. Suddenly –" and again Ingrid was bursting with agreement, "– suddenly it went doot-di-di-doot-doot, on the T.V. just like that, maybe ten or a dozen times. Doot-di-di-doot-doot. Ingrid and I just looked at each other – and then we both DASHED out onto the porch."

Patrick swerved among the traffic on a bumpy patch of road.

"There over the house was the saucer. It just swayed there, back and forward. Then it seemed to swing down low as the light showed from the porch and then shot off over in the direction of Washington Airport."

Ingrid couldn't hold herself any longer. "And do you know, Ronald!" she burst in, "Madeleine had the same thing happen on her birthday! Linda and some more friends were just being seen off from the house and they called out to Madeleine to look. And there was this red, glowing light swaying over [illegible]se!"

Fred smiled knowingly.

"You can bet, they've got our wave-lengths!" he said.

As we looked out at May's long lily-pond in the spacious lawn, the big, leafy trees almost overhanging the house and splashing the ground with shadow, Fred gave a little laugh to himself and glanced up at me. He was so often serious, especially when he talked to the people who gathered at May's house, guests, reporters etc, – it was nice to see him with a, somewhat twisted, grin. There were no gimmicks with Fred.

"I saw a saucer close overhead some while ago. – There are a LOT of them around that area – I had my camera with me, this camera – and I ran off some film and I felt so gosh-darned pleased with myself! D'you know something? I left the dust-cap on!"

He told me of his talks with the Brothers.

"D'you know, Ronald, when you're with them, you don't ASK questions. You don't think of it. You just listen. It's as if you are not meant to ask of things maybe they don't want you to know."

Fred bit his lip thoughtfully.

"One of them I can see several times a week. I know where he's working. I can tell you what sort of work he does, but not where." Fred told me.

"It's only once in a while we have a chance to talk. Maybe over a cup of coffee some place."

He paused, then went on.

"This one's from Venus."

Fred's trip over had been delayed. Hans and I had had to change our bookings. Fred had told me on the trip up from the airport how someone, – he didn't know who – had contacted the bank where Fred had arranged credit for the trip.

"I have to do it on the instalments," he said. "A cook doesn't earn all that much money." Fred works at an hotel in Virginia, near where he lives.

The strange thing was that Fred had previously had credit arrangements with the same bank, and had had no bother. Maybe someone had tried to stop his trip to Europe. It had taken several days to clear up the matter.

He was speaking first in Antwerp, staying with May for some days, then The Hague, then Frankfurt and Mannheim, then in Austria – Vienna and Linz – then on to West Berlin for the last six days to stay with his family.

Whether Fred was helped with money at the German or Austrian lectures, I don't know. I know he received nothing in Antwerp and Den Haag, except hospitality from good friends. That certainly did not pay the Stecklings fare across the Atlantic.

Fred's first lecture was on the evening of our arrival in Antwerp, at May Morlet's home. Of the 50-60 in the audience, which included reporters, I noticed a young woman. I shall not describe her.

Later that night, in fact at 3.30 in the morning, – we had sat talking, all of May's house-guests, until the small hours, as we were to do every night of our visit – I walked with Hans Petersen around some quiet, deserted, leafy avenues near to May [illegible]ouse. Hans had suggested a walk before turning in. It was our first opportunity to talk alone together since our meeting in Denmark three or four weeks before.

He also wanted to tell me something. About a young lady of rather special appearance who had, during the course of the evening, moved out of the audience and was sitting on a settee very close to the speaker's table. Just before the guests left, – some of them were unknown to May Morlet – the young woman spoke a few words with Hans.

"Ron", said Hans, "I am wondering about that young woman."

Some days after Fred and Ingrid and Glenn had left Vienna for Berlin, for a very short family re-union, the Co-workers received a letter from our Austrian friend and Co-worker, Dora Bauer, who told us of the lectures Fred had given in Vienna and Linz. She also wrote that Fred had told her of two space people, a Brother and a Sister, who were at May's house on that first evening – –

And going through Germany he had filmed a strange formation in the sky. It was on September 7th 1966.

In February this year I received photostats of correspondence and some still pictures from the film that Fred Steckling took whilst travelling by train between Mannheim and Frankfurt, in West Germany. The stills he had obtained by photographing from the screen, he said. He did not dare have the stills professionally made. (Both George Adamski and Madeleine Rodeffer have had "accidents" happen to film in the past. A greater part of the Rodeffer close-up saucer film was stolen from an hotel room when G.A. was taking the original to be copied. Copies of his own film loaned to T.V. net-works and others have returned badly disfigured with chemicals, "with great regret –")

A letter from Fred to Thomas G. Corbin, Major-General U.S.A.F. Director Legislative Liaison, Deprtment of the Air Force, Washington, D.C., read:

"Dear Sir,

While with my family in Germany September 7, 1966, I had the rare opportunity to film a "Armada" of about 40 to 50 UFO's apearing and disappearing in the middle of the blue sky.

The 23 feet of Kodakcolour film were taken out of an open window of a speeding express train, Mannheim-Frankfurt, approximately at 11.40 a.m.

My camera is an automatic 8 mm Revere power oom, 30 mm lens. The objects, which can be seen, ook like white cigarettes on the motion-picture beind trees, railroad stations and powerlines, which ere flying by and blocking their sight on occasions hile filming. This rules out light reflections from ny excusable source.

I would be willing indeed to show this rare film ersonally) to Air Force officials here in Washingn D.C., if they are interested.

Any Monday would be fine for showing the [illegible]m,
I am looking forward to your answer,
sincerely, Fred Steckling."
UNQUOTE.

Similar letters were sent to Senator Clinton P. Anderson, of the Senate Space and Aeronautics Committee, and to Dr. Paul D. Lowman Jnr. at the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. (NASA).

The reply from Dr. Lowman reads: (see inside back cover).

"NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE
ADMINISTRATION
GODDARD SPACE FLIGHT CENTER
Greenbelt, Maryland 20771

FILE 17232
Mr. Fred Steckling, Feb. 20 1967
– – – – – –
Alexandria, Virginia 22312.

Dear Mr. Steckling:

Thank you very much for your letter and for your offer to show us your film. I am not really qualified to pass judgement on it, but it would be good to have the people here at Goddard who are, look at it. May I suggest, then, that you give Mr. Penn Stevens, phone – –, a call. He will make an appointment for you to come out to Goddard and show the Photographic Branch and me your film. Unfortunately we have no 8 mm projector here, so I must ask you to bring your own. Thank you again for your offer.

Sincerely yours,
signed. Paul D. Lowman, Jr.
Geochemistry Laboratory
Laboratory for Theoretical Studies."
UNQUOTE.

Of the visit, which took place in Building A.I. at 10.30 a.m. on February 27th 1967, Fred said this:

"– We took Madeleine along so the 22 NASA officials could see G.A.'s and her film, too. They seemed to be quite impressed, but would not make an open statement concerning the film, naturally. The 2 hour meeting took place in Building A.I. They treated us very nice and seemed to know much more of what we had to show and tell. One thing they said, however, and that is concerning Dr. Hynek. His swamp-gas explanations are nonsense, we were told.

"But despite the evidence of the 3 films they still would like to have more positive proof, we were told, for it still does not prove these ships to be extraterrestrial, as one official put it. However, he was not able to tell us just where these strange crafts come from otherwise. But they were quite impressed about the exact formation of the many ships on the film of Sept. 7th. 66. Reflection, any fake, and cloud formation, including Skyriders, was ruled out. It left only 23 feet of UFO's.

"They said nothing about G.A.'s film and on Madeleine's they commented, – the ship is smaller, and anticipated it to be about 27 feet in diameter. They were interested in how far the trees in the background were and all in all said, to be con [illegible] that what we had shown them are ships of extraterrestrial origin they needed more positive proof or evidence. One person came up with the scout being a volkswagen, you know how they have to make jokes. But we were treated very nice and in respect, – one person said to Ingrid, you have something there, – meaning the films –

"I could see that they had much knowledge, but could not give themselves away. They did not ridicule us, nor the films, nor the whole UFO idea. I did not go to NASA to convince them, but to consult them."

He added:

"This meeting with NASA was a different matter altogether than the Senate Space committee 2 years ago with Madeleine and Ingrid, where they received more "Hell" than anything else –"

UNQUOTE.

On March 20th, Fred sent me a photostat letter from the UFO spokesman at the Pentagon in Washington D.C. (see back pages)

"DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
Washington 20330

Office Of The Secretary

Mar 17 1967

Dear Mr. Steckling:

Your letter concerning your unidentified flying object (UFO) film finally reached my office – – – Office of Information for Project Blue Book, the Air Force UFO program.

The Air Force would be very interested in reviewing your film. If you would get in touch with me at the Pentagon, we will arrange a showing for any Monday which is convenient for you. My number is 0 – – – – or 0 – – – –.

Thank you for offering to show your film; I am looking forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely

signed. George P. Freeman, Jr.
Lt. Colonel, USAF.
Chief, Civil Branch
Community Relations Division
Office of Information.

Mr. Fred Steckling,
– – – – – – – –
Alexandria, Virginia 22312."

UNQUOTE.

Fred wrote of the visit:

"Our Pentagon visit was Monday March 20th at 2 p.m. at Colonel Freeman's office. – Madeleine came along – Several high commission officers reviewed the Sept. 7th film three times, and Colonel Freeman stated: "This is the best film I've seen yet." and "I have never seen anything like this before." He told me to inform the UFO investigation committee in Colorado – (– the new University of Colorado UFO investigation study, – R.C.) – an[illegible] them some pictures.

"Madaleine's and G.A.'s films were already known to them – from T.V. – and no comment was made on them. They seemed to know all three of us – Ingrid was there – they gave this impression.

"The Colonel said: "What about the scoutships we are supposed to have in Dayton?" so we answered, "What about and how about it?" They did not confirm anything or otherwise. But here too we were treated respectfully, and returned the same to them –."

UNQUOTE.

Later, I received a fuller description of events.

"When I took the film September 7th, we were between Mannheim and Frankfurt traveling North. The time was about 11.45 a.m., no clouds, about seventy degrees, Fahrenheit. Although power-lines and trees were flying by, while I took the film, if there was a station it surely swished by so fast that it was impossible to make out any signs, etc. In this case you have to take my word for it. I was already before alerted of the Brothers before the film, and became aware of a group of 10 to 12 cigarette shaped objects high in the sky (12 o'clock up.) I jumped back to grab the camera, a 8 mm Revere, 80 mm powerzoom, Chicago build and opened the window all the way to eliminate any reflections and started filming. All in all, 6 groups of ten to twelve spacecraft appeared one after another and moved along the sky like Dolphins in the water, as an example. Appearing and disappearing, the armada traveled to about 9 o'clock (position) and disappeared completely, giving me the privilege to take about 23 feet of Kodak color film.

"There were quite some people on the train, some of them looking out of their windows, becoming aware of the objects. As we could see they all had big question-marks on their faces. They had never seen anything like this before. I might add, there was no fear on their faces. Ingrid and myself also Glenn, we could hardly believe it, ever to be presented with such an opportunity of taking that many ships on film and all at once. We stood on the window, Ingrid saying only, "oh, my God" and our every hair was standing up at this wonderful sight. We will never forget this experience and are surely grateful for it. –"

UNQUOTE.

I wrote to Fred, asking him if I could use his pictures and correspondence in UFO CONTACT. He wrote back:

"You can go ahead and use what you feel is right concerning my visit to NASA and the pictures –

"As you know, my work in this cause has no connections in pleasing my Ego, and therefore it does not matter to me if my name is used or not. Important is the work, not us. –

"We all know George Adamski has given much to this world in knowledge and information and I feel that the people should become aware first o k and contacts. When your readers have become acquainted with the idea of the brothers being under us this very moment and that everyone has the chance to talk to them if he becomes aware of them, then you may talk about my contacts in connection with G.A. Ronald, I cannot tell you what to do, for you must use your own judgement in this matter. When ever you feel to use it then go ahead and do so. I am not afraid to face the people or what ever comes with it, neither is Madeleine. –"

UNQUOTE.

That is the story of the Quiet Contacts.

Why have I told you all this? Because I know that those who read these words will feel the sincerity of Fred and Ingrid Steckling, and of Madeleine Rodeffer.

The sceptics talk always of people "making a fast buck". Maybe they are right about some. But not about the Stecklings or Madeleine. They are losing money fast, but they are doing the job that George Adamski left them to do, with steadfastness and courage.

What is the lesson from this?

First, – you will make up your own minds as to the truth of their stories, – as George Adamski said so often: "I'm not here to convince you, – just to tell you."

Second, – you are invited to look aga the picture which is painted for you in these sequences of events.

GEORGE ADAMSKI took his story and his films to ANYONE – including authority – and was prepared to face all criticism and expert analysis.

MADELEINE RODEFFER was enabled to take close-up shots of a flying saucer over her garden. This was arranged with the Brothers, and she was expecting them. She has shown this film, with G.A.'s, on nation-wide net-works, – she has faced the officials on Capitol Hill. She has met the Brothers.

FRED STECKLING has taken a unique movie-film which has impressed NASA's photographic experts and the men at the Pentagon. He has met the Brothers.

Can it be CO-INCIDENCE all the time? Can they FAKE unique and impressive evidence ALL THE TIME?

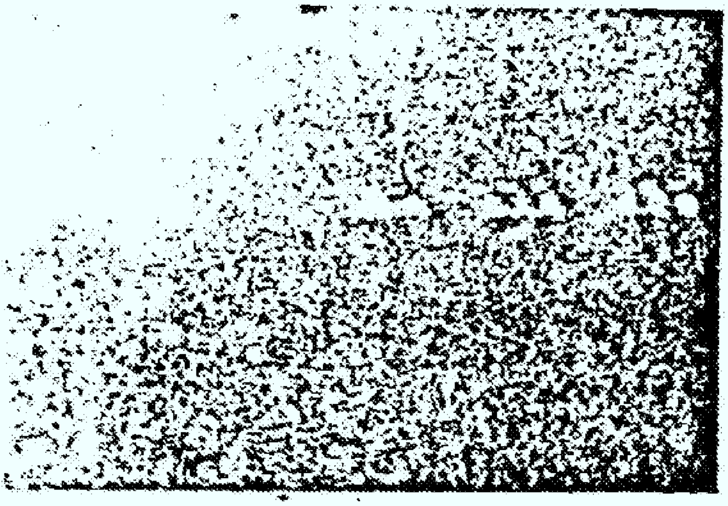
At this point I might add that whilst George Adamski was on his 1959 world-tour, many separate witnesses in Australia and New Zealand reported activities and formations of saucers over some of the very cities and towns where G.A. lectured.

All this is for the record.

As Fred Steckling wrote in simple words which held a world of meaning:

IMPORTANT IS THE WORK – NOT US.

UFO - PICTURES



These still photographs are taken from the screen projection of the 8 mm colour film of september 7th 1966.

Taken with a REVERE 8 mm cine-camera, automatic 30 mm powerzoom lens, by Fred Steckling of Alexandria, Virginia, U.S.A.

The 23 feet of colour film was exposed from a speeding train travelling from Mannheim to Frankfurt in West Germany.

This aerial "armada" of UFO's is shown in impressive formation in the cloudless sky.

Shown to photographic experts of NASA.

Of the film, Pentagon UFO spookesman said: "This is the best film I've seen yet!"

What Adamski said...

GEORGE ADAMSKI WAS MANY TIMES ACCUSED of being a charlatan, – that is, a person who pretends to have more knowledge or skill than he does have, – an impostor or a cheat. He has been called a faker, because he has produced photographs of so-called space-ships which he claimed to have taken himself. He was a liar, taking money from the credulous with stories of fantasy, saying they were true.

Most of these names were given to him by people who would not have had the courage to say it to his face, or within the presence of a lawyer. If Adamski had invoked the law of libel in every case such as this, not one of his detractors could have proven that the name he had used was applicable, and Adamski could have indeed made money from those claims! But Adamski was not that kind of man. He knew the truth, and therefore no-one could harm his integrity. On this integrity all his subsequent actions rested.

Many incidents in his later life were mis-reported, sometimes out of malice, at other times because of expediency, when insufficient detail was at hand. Many were the garbled reports circulated about one very special occasion. Here, below, is WHAT ADAMSKI SAID about:

The royal audience

During my stay in Brisbane I received a letter from Rey d'Aquila of The Hague, Netherlands, requesting me to attend an interview with Queen Juliana on May 18th, 1959. The letter requested an immediate reply. I sent a cable confirming receipt of the letter and consenting to the interview.

Toward the end of April, when I returned to London from lectures in outlying cities of the British Isles, the rumor was out that I was to have an interview with Queen Juliana. I was at the home of Desmond Leslie when the telephone rang. It was a reporter asking for verification of the interview. I admitted only that such a rumor existed, and did not confirm anything.

The reporter was cautioned not to publish anything until it had been confirmed. He agreed to await confirmation, out of respect for Queen Juliana, but his respect was apparently short-lived.

The Daily Herald of April 29th, 1959, London, published the following article under the heading, "Juliana's New Joy – Flying Saucers". The reporter gave this account: "I checked with Juliana's secretary. 'Yes,' the secretary said over the phone from Holland. 'Her Majesty has asked Mr. Adamski to confidential talks. More than that I cannot disclose. The talk will be between the two of them alone.' "

The newspaper accounts which claimed I [illegible] reporters of the forthcoming meeting with Queen Juliana were entirely false. One thing is certain: the press was furious. The reporters could not get any information from me so they fabricated stories to save face (and perhaps to protect their jobs!). Newspapers all over the United States copied these false reports and added comments as they passed them on.

An article in the Los Angeles Examiner of May 19th, entitled "In Dutch On Saucer Discussion," stated: "The press has given Adamski, from Los Angeles, a chilly reception. The Catholic People's Party newspaper De Volkskrant, said, for example: 'We are not opposed to a court jester on the green lawns of the Royal Palace, provided he is not taken for an astronomical philosopher.' "

Soon after the newspaper De Volkskrant criticized my interview with Queen Juliana, several other Dutch papers followed suit and began to speak in a critical vein. The more dignified papers, however, presented straightforward accounts like the following:

"QUEEN JULIANA SEES U.S. WRITER, Hour's Discussion on Space Travel, from our correspondent. THE HAGUE, May 19th. Queen Juliana and the Prince of the Netherlands today received, at Soestdijk Palace, Mr. George Adamski, the American author of several books on space travel. The Queen and Prince Bernhard had a talk lasting about an hour with Mr. Adamski. It is understood that the talk was of a purely informative character. The Queen and Prince Bernhard wanted to become acquainted with Mr. Adamski and his views.

"Those who were present at the conversation included Mr. C. Kolff, president of the Royal Netherlands Society for Aviation, Lieutenant-General H. Schaper, Chief of the Royal Netherlands Air Staff, Professor Jongbloed, of Utrecht University, an expert in medical science dealing with aviation, and Professor Rooy, of Amsterdam University, who gives lectures on mass communication.

"Mr. Adamski, who claims to have flown round the moon in a flying saucer and to have been in contact with inhabitants of the planet Venus, is lecturing in The Hague and Amsterdam."

As I am a common man with no title or position, some newspapers questioned the Queen's right to invite me to the palace. A true ruler, or representative of the people, can gain knowledge from the lowest as well as the highest sources.

The press called the Queen gullible and accused her of falling for strange things. This is not true. She is only interested in all new things of life, as a ruler should be. We are living in times when on every hand things are changing. Unless the rulers are well informed, they cannot serve their people well.

Queen Juliana has the welfare of her people at heart. Therefore she has an open mind that permits her to look at all facets of life, not bowing to the dictates of the few; and so she was not persuaded to cancel the appointment.

At this time I will relate the true facts of my interview with the Queen. They have neve[illegible] published before. The press reports quoting questions and answers from the interview were falsified, as no reporters were allowed inside the palace during the interview!

I left London and arrived in Amsterdam on the 15th of May, 1959. Miss Rey d'Aquila and some newspaper reporters were at the airport to meet me. I was still suffering from the cold I had caught in Scotland, so I excused myself and was taken to a small hotel on the outskirts of Amsterdam.

The next afternoon I was called to a television rehearsal for a program that was to be given that evening. This was on May 15th, and I showed my film on the program. The reception by the public of my subject and the film was very good.

After the rehearsal, we drove back to the hotel, picked up my luggage and left for The Hague. Miss d'Aquila had arranged transportation by automobile, and I arrived at The Hague about midnight.

My hotel was in a quiet residential district, across the street from a beautiful park. The first day was set aside for me to rest. That morning I unpacked my camera and walked through the park to the ocean. Several restful hours were spent strolling around and photographing the local scenery.

I had been placed in this secluded hotel purposely to avoid the press. When the newsmen could not locate me, they became very irritated. Those in charge of publicity would not say where I was staying, and the manager of the hotel had been given orders not to reveal my presence. For one day and evening I was able to relax.

On the morning of May 18th, I had breakfast and readied myself for the visit to Soestdijk Palace near Utrecht. The Palace car was to call for me at about 10.30 a.m. This was an informal meeting, so my business suit was proper attire. I had been carefully coached on the proper etiquette and conduct in the presence of my royal hosts. When the car arrived, I was introduced to the chauffeur who held the door open as I entered. To evade the press, we avoided the customary highway to the palace.

We entered the palace garden through a gate opened by a guard who saluted smartly as we passed. I noticed the highway in front of the palace was empty as we turned into the grounds. A winding driveway, bordered by massive shrubs, brought us to the huge entrance. My mind was so taken up in trying to remember all the instructions I had been given that I failed to notice much about the palace itself, except that it was white. The chauffeur had spoken very few words as we rode along and had given me a mind to relieve my throat when I coughed.

It was 11.00 a.m. when the car stopped in front of the entrance. A uniformed attendant opened the door, saluted, and escorted me up the broad steps to the palace doors, which were opened by two doormen dressed in royal blue, who also saluted. When I entered, one of these men helped me out of my top coat and muffler; the other escorted me into a large library with high ceiling.

I had been nervous with anticipation, [illegible] feeling of calm and ease came over me as I stood in the presence of the Queen. She and the others present were standing when I entered the room. The Queen's secretary came forward and introduced me to Her Majesty, Queen Juliana. In turn, I was presented to Prince Bernhard; Lt. General Schaper, Chief of the Royal Netherlands Air Staff; Professor Jongbloed, of Aerial Medicine; Dr. M. Rooy, Telecommunications; and Mr. Kolff, President of the Royal Netherlands Society for Aviation.

When the Queen acknowledged the introduction, I completely forgot all the instructions and could not remember the formalities that should have been followed. Instead, I acted upon my feelings and was at ease, for here was a feeling of welcome as among friends.

The Queen graciously asked if I drank coffee. When I replied that I did, coffee was served in large cups of beautiful design, while we remained standing. After all had been served, we were asked to be seated. That coffee was the best I had had since leaving America!

We were at one end of the library, seated in lounge chairs assembled in a horseshoe position. Directly across from me sat the Queen. Next to her was the Prince, and on my right, next to the Prince, was a gentleman who acted as spokesman for him. As I remember, this gentleman was Mr. Kolff. Seated on my left were the other three gentlemen already named. The secretary was seated a little apart from the others.

Small pastries were served, and as we sat enjoying the refreshments and indulging in informal conversation, I noted that Her Majesty wore a light blue frock. The men were dressed in black suits with white shirts and black ties.

Cigarettes were passed. Then the secretary opened the topic for which I had been summoned. She referred to my two books and asked a question regarding my trip around the moon. I was aware of having been granted only forty-five minutes, so I made my answers as brief as possible.

The astronomer and Air Force chief asked questions next, trying to discredit the interplanetary visitors. As I think of it now, perhaps my answer was a little rude in the presence of royalty, for I said: "I have known of no major officials of our Air Force, and few astronomers, who have told what they actually know about the visitors from space. It is a known fact that the secret files and confidential reports of the Air Force have never been released to the public, or even to high officers in the government. I am inclined to believe this applies to all governments." I think Her Majesty knew exactly what I meant, for she gave a tiny smile of acknowledgment.

I pointed out that most of the findings of our Earth satellite had been published in my books at least three years before.

Many questions were asked about inhabitants of other planets. I retold much of what I had [illegible] in my second book. The major questions of our conference dealt with our future in outer space.

Awareness of time was lost as we all grew interested in the conversation about outer space. What began as a forty-five minute interview lasted two hours. Finally the Queen reminded me that my lecture started in less than an hour. Interest was so great in the topic, if it had not been for the lecture, we could have kept talking for hourse.

When the Queen reminded me of the time, I arose and we all shook hands in a very friendly manner. I was deeply impressed with the firm sincere grasp of Her Majesty and the Prince. The spokesman for the Prince escorted me to the car. During the conference he had stated he would like to take a trip with the space people and he repeated the request as we descended the steps to the waiting car.

As we were leaving the Palace grounds, I noticed a large group of people standing across the highway and facing the Palace. As the car came through the gate, many of these people gave the familiar salute. Possibly they only wanted to get a look at the common man who had been granted a private interview with the Queen, and whom the press had described as an "objectionable" visitor. On the fast trip back to the hotel, I noticed crowds of people along the highway, saluting as we passed.

Arriving at the hotel, we found a car waiting to take me to the lecture at The Hague. The Queen's chauffeur asked if he might attend the lecture and was granted permission to do so.

Due to the long interview at the Palace, I arrived twenty minutes late at the lecture hall where a capacity crowd was waiting. The people present were filled with curiosity and anticipation in regard to my meeting with Queen Juliana. Reporters especially were insistent that I give them all the details. This I could not do, for the meeting had been on a level of dignity that denied me the privilege of speaking until the Queen spoke first. All I could say was: "The Queen was very kind, and if there were more people like her the world would be a better place to live in." A tremendous burst of applause took place, and from there on the lecture proceeded as normal.

After the lecture, the reporters crowded around me asking, "What did the Queen say?" "It is the Queen's honor to speak first," I replied. This made the press very dissatisfied with me. Some went so far as to write up a fictitious interview, complete with questions and answers.

When I returned to my hotel I was grateful that no one knew where I was, for now I could relax and go over the events of the day.

A radio was in my room, and the next morning I tuned it to the BBC since I could not understand the Dutch of local stations. On an early-morning program called The News of Europe, I was very much surprised to hear a report from a Russian scientist stating that the moon was not composed of volcanic dust, but rather of granite formations similar to Earth. Many green spots that looked like vegetation had been observed on the other side of the moon. This confirmed some of the things I had told the Queen during our two-hour conference.

I was curious to know just how the Russians had gained this information. My friends and I discussed the possibilities later that morning. Was it possible that a Russian had made a trip as I had, or did they receive the information from their moon shot that went into orbit around the sun? (Information received at the time of this writing seems to confirm that they did.)

Before the morning was over I was asked if I would accept an interview with Fox Movietone in downtown Hague. I would be called for and taken to the appointed place so I agreed.

The selected place was a large hotel in the centre of town. Our car was parked across the street from the building. I was told to walk across the street and enter the hotel. Camera were ready and set for operation, but I had to rehearse the walk several times before pictures were finally taken. In the final take, the large glass doors, framed in brass, opened automatically and I entered the hotel.

I was greeted by many people, including the manager of the hotel, and received the customary salute. This was not photographed. I was taken to a large room where cameras and sound equipment were in place. Here I was seated beside a small mahogany table which held a bouquet of American Beauty roses. My interrogator was seated on my right. His first question was: "The world wants to know what the Queen had to say."

My answer was that Her Majesty and His Royal Highness were deeply interested in the future of outer space development. The interrogator was very dissatisfied with my reply and tried to get me to relate our conversation in some detail. When I refused, he hurried through the other questions, and the news conference was over. I was told this newsreel would be shown all over the world, but I have no reports of it ever having been shown.

It is interesting to note that, after my visit to the Palace, wherever I went in Holland I received the salute from those who recognised me. Perhaps this is a customary honor paid to one who has been received by the Queen.

On Friday May 22nd, I received an invitation from the manager of the City Theatre in downtown Amsterdam, to attend the preview of an Italian film, Death Comes From Outer Space.

The death that came from outer space was a gigantic asteroid travelling at terrific speed directly toward the earth. This asteroid was formed from all the debris blown into space by our atomic and hydrogen explosions. The people of the Earth were in a panic, for they were warned that at any moment it could hit our planet and cause complete destruction. Meanwhile, huge tidal waves and heavy earthquakes were wreaking havoc in many places throughout the world.

The scientists of all nations called upon [illegible] military in every other nation to aim their atomic missiles at the asteroid and to fire simultaneously. In this way the asteroid was destroyed by the same weapons that had caused its creation.

Representatives of the press were present at the showing. After it was over, I was asked if such a thing could happen in real life. I replied that it could and gave the following explanation:

"The lightning bolt is created from invisible particles of matter that are fused together by the terrific heat of a natural electrical discharge. It is entirely possible for the millions of tons of debris that have been blown into the upper regions of the earth's atmosphere to come together and form an artificial asteroid. The larger the mass of debris, the more attraction it would have for additional particles."

This picture alerted me to the possibility that radiation and fallout are not the only dangers we might be facing from our atomic explosions.

Reports have come from Mexico stating that a huge fireball crashed into a mountain just before the disastrous earthquake there in August of 1959.

Recently several planes have reportedly hit objects from space. Some have survived; others have crashed to their doom. Could they have crashed into some of the high-energy pockets left by our explosions?

Some of these man-made asteroids burn and glow, and could be mistaken for ordinary meteorites. This may also be the answer to some of the fireballs that have been reported.

By the way of closing this chapter, I would like to reproduce in part a letter concerning the lecture in Amsterdam, sent to co-workers in The Netherlands area. It was written by Miss Rey d'Aquila, dated June 13th, 1959, and reads as follows:

"At the end of the lecture in Amsterdam, Professor E. L. Seelliger of Bergen (NH), physicist and former Delft Professor, stepped on the platform and thanked 'our friend Adamski' in public for the things that he had brought us. Quoting him exactly: 'The things that we have heard may sound strange to most of us, if not all, but strange things happen every day, if our eyes are open. I hope that we will be open-minded and benefit from the things we have heard today.'

"The audience applauded heartily. (Inside information: Professor Seelliger is in good relation to the Queen and if we take his mental courage and her interest and deep understanding, we may conclude that after all George Adamski's visit to our country has been a successful one and the stepping stone to a better future.)"

Regarding my interview with the Queen, I will again quote from the report: "But one thing we can say for sure, no press reporters were present. So what the press had further to say about his audience was a big lie from the first to the last line! Paris Match, for instance, carried a wholly imaginative 'Interview With The Queen', complete with questions and answers!"

I wish those imaginative reporters could [illegible] been present during my interview with Queen Juliana. They might have learned something of dignity, kindness and gentility, from a great woman who rules her country with wisdom and love.

From: "Flying Saucers Farewell" 1961,
by George Adamski.

UFOLOGY

A proposal to UNO

PRESS RELEASE NO. 6.

February 2nd, 1967. New York.
RELEASED BY
Intercontinental UFO Observer and Analytic Network,
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SUBJECT.

The Intercontinental UFO Observer and Analytic Network, representing the globally united scientific UFO research analysts /Press Rel., Jan. 11th, 1967/, have requested U.N. Secretary General U Thant, for invitation of the world leading scientists pioneering in UFO studies, pioneer UFO expert researchers, to the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space Conference, to be held September, 1967 in Vienna; to study first hand the evidence and earthly reconnaissance of unidentified power/s/ by UFOs from other celestial bodies.

Representation should be headed by the nations-wide awarded space and rocket scientist "father of astronautics" *Prof.* Dr. Hermann Oberth and a world wide documentation should be furnished and exhibited by the Intercontinental UFO Network, supporting the statements of the scientists' representation.

Request based on a resolution of the General Assembly 21st Session /Dec. 19 and 21, 1966/ that the UN is privileged to invite Special Agencies to the Conference related to the subject.

Following is the next of the Memorandum addressed on February 1st, 1967 to His Excellency U Thant, Secretary General of the United Nations:

My dear Secretary General – Your Excellency,

The Intercontinental UFO Observer and Analytic Network respectfully request that you, chairman of the Outer Space Affairs Committee, his Excellency, Dr. Kurt Waldheim, Ambassador of Austria to the U.N. and the General Assembly, invite a representation of the world's leading scientists pioneering in UFO studies, expert UFO research pioneers to the Conference on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space to be held September, 1967 in Vienna. Our request is in relation to the resolution of the General Assembly, 21st Session, which took place on 20 and 22 December, 1966, and whose privilege it is to invite to the Conference Special Agencies related subject.

The proposed representation should be headed by the world's most highly honored, awarded and respected scientist in the field of Space and Rockets – the "father of astronautics" Prof. Dr. Hermann Oberth. The team of scientists should be completed according to enclosure No. 1. with highly competent scientific UFO researchers whose statements can be screened and verified on the basis of various documentation media in possession of our world-wide analytic network, such as; existing records of the UFO observers, embracing continental documentation by historical background, statistics, photographs, motion pictures, and other documentations exhibited and witnessed by originators, about the UFOs and their global reconnaissance activities.

As a former international civil servant on your staff, and founder of the Intercontinental UFO Network, supporting our request, may I call your attention to the constructive and progressive values of my proposals, submitted during the last year, to your cabinet, assisting voluntarily the UFO problem within the framework of the UN, which have already been realized during the past 11 months.

1) The PROJECT UN-UFO, the organization scheme of an international analytic team within your staff, to keep under control the UFO global surveillance, and its 135 documentation, has been objected to by the government of the United States of America as "nonsense" . . . but in spite of this, the same government, instead of investing money in the investigation at the U.N. has, three months later, invested 300 thousand dollars for the same purpose in the Colorado University. The U.S. government has casually been investigating UFO cases, classified as "Confidential" since 1944, under project names, such as, Sigma, Grudge, and Bluebook. Valuated backwards this represents budgetary expenditures amounting to more millions of dollars.

2) The INTERCONTINENTAL SPACE SECURITY PACT proposal, submitted to your cabinet on May 10, 1966 has been accepted in part, in that the Articles No., 1. II. V. and Par., 1.2.3.4.5. 14., therein have been transferred to the Governing Principles of Peaceful Uses of Outer Space Treaty, which was negotiated in the Outer Space Committee, – a resolution adopted by acclamation by the General Assembly last December 19, and signed by 62 nations, exploring in outer space. The transplanted articles of the mentioned Security Pact are as follows:

a. earth and earthman security – supreme constitutional authority of UN in relation to outer space in articles No. I.III.V.IX.
b. establishment of international responsibility for damages by exploring nations in articles No. VI. and VII.
c. astronauts to be considered envoys of the UN., expressed as "envoys of mankind" in articles No. V.
d. not prohibited of high explosive weapons in manned space crafts for self defense in outer space and celestial bodies, in article N.
e. all "phenomens" observed in space and celestial bodies to be reported to the Secretary General in article No. V. is exactly an "unexplained UFO Article" from article No. V.

The enclosure No. 2. clearly shows, that these articles were not proposed in the original issues of the 'Treaty Draft' by the United States filed 24 hours before, – while the USSR filed 20 days after my Space Security Pact proposal, which had been filed and issued to all the UN Missions on June 27, 1966. See the enclosed letter to the Perm. Mission of Italy to the UN. /Enclosure No. 2./ (Enclosures No's 2 and 3 are not included as we have dealt at length with these items in previous issues of UFO CONTACT – Ed.)

In the enclosure No. 3 you will find the constitutional build up for the Intercontinental UFO Observer & Analytic Network. The Press Release for which, dated January 11, 1967, was usually silenced as . . . "not in the public interest".

In spite of all this, there has been an increase of UFO appearances in the past year and a growing impatience on the part of the public with the governments' policies in this regard. We are convinced now more than ever that this proposal to accept information from world famous authorities will meet with the wholehearted approval of the United Nations. For the first time perhaps, an opportunity will be afforded to study first hand the voluminous evidence that has heretofore been suppressed.

It is a special honor for us to assist the United Nations through our continental representation in the UFO problem.

We are awaiting your information regarding our proposal. In behalf of our continental representatives, I remain

very respectfully yours
signature
Colman VonKeviczky

3 enclosures.

ICUFON ENCLOSURE NO. 1.

The Intercontinental UFO Observer and Analytic Network proposes to invite, to the Outer Space Conference, /Sept., 1967, Vienna/ the following:

A. SCIENTISTS.

Prof. Dr. Hermann Oberth internationally acclaimed rocket scientist, UFO researcher. GERMANY.
Prof. Dr. Gabriel Alvial director of Cosmic Radiation Institute, Santiago. CHILE.
Prof. Dr. Alexander Kazantsev Soviet radio astronomer and archeologist. USSR.
Prof. Dr. Carl Sagan noted astronomer and astro physicist, member of NASA. USA.
Prof. Dr. Mitrovan Zverev radio astronomer. USSR.
Representative of Colorado University, UFO research project. USA.

B. SCIENTIFIC RESEARCHERS.

Knut Hammarskjöld general director of the Intern'l Air Transport Association. CANADA.

Prof. Dr. Allen J. Hynek astronomer, UFO i[illegible]ator since 20 years at Air Force. USA.

Donald E. Keyhoe US major ret., pioneer UFO researcher, founder of NICAP. USA.

Jacques Vallee mathematician and astronomer of Northwestern University, Mars Map Project. USA.

C. PIONEER UFO RESEARCHERS IN GLOBAL COVERAGE.

Arduino Albertini Italian research analyst, editor of "Clypeus". SOUTH EUROPE & ASIA MINOR.

Dr. Walter Bühler research analyst investigator, Pres. of Brazilian UFO Res. Org. SOUTH AMERICA & ANTARCTIC.

Ronald Caswell editor of "UFO CONTACT". International research analyst. NORTH EUROPE.

Eng. Leonard G. Cramp noted technical analyst and technical writer. British Interplanetary Society.

Coral E. Lorenzen founder of the APRO /Aerial Phenomena Research Organization/. NORTH AMERICA AND ARCTIC.

Yusuke Matsumura Japanese pilot, UFO expert photogr. and analyst, Pres. of Cosmic Brotherhood Ass. FAR EAST – ASIA.

Eng. Aimé Michel French mathematician, scientific researcher, noted writer. M. EAST, EUROPE.

Hans C. Petersen Danish Air Force major, researcher, co-editor of "UFO CONTACT" bi-monthly. MIDDLE EUROPE.

Edgar Sievers scientific research analyst. AFRICA.

Brinsley Le Poer Trench pioneer British researcher, chairman of the Intern'l Sky Scouts. FAR EAST – OCEANIA.

Karl L. Veit Pres. of DUIST, noted European UFO analyst, writer-publisher and editor of "UFO Nachrichten". EUROPE.

D. DOCUMENTATION.

Globally collected documentation should be exhibited and carried out by the Intercontinental UFO Observer and Analytic Network – classified in three parts:

1. The UFO Evidence. 2. The Space Ships.
3. The Planetarians.

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A Soviet contribution

IT IS RARE INDEED that we read or hear of the Russian views on "Flying Saucers", although, in the fifties they were referred to as an example of American "war psychosis". However, in this issue of UFO CONTACT, you can read an account of recent Soviet moves regarding the UFO-case. (See "Soviet Radar Spots UFO".)

Here, below, we bring you a Russian writer's account of his research into the problems and mysteries of extraterrestrial visitations. Condensed from the book "Na Sushe i na more" – "On Land and at Sea" – we can see how the writer has followed many of the same threads of Biblical and pre – History as have a number of his Western contempora[illegible] [illegible]e author has spent 30 years collecting eviden[illegible] to back up his thesis that intelligent beings from outer space have had contact with our Earth. He has written two books, "Cosmic Reminiscences in Written Relics of the Past", and "The Evolution of the Universe and Intelligent Beings."

With acknowledgements to the "SPUTNIK" monthly digest, Jan. 1967, we present the article in two parts. Here is Part One, of –

Visitors from outer space

by

Vyacheslav Zaitsev.

Expanding knowledge about the Universe usually means more puzzles than discoveries. As man unravels each new mystery, he is assailed by fresh doubts and torments, for he has caught a glimpse of another mystery lying ahead. For the explorer – in any field – it is probably this yet undiscovered territory vaguely seen in the distance that sparks the search for knowledge.

A report by a Chinese archaeologist startled the world when it was published in 1965, for he had out of old bits of knowledge pieced together an amazing theory of space-ships on a visit to the earth 12,000 years ago. The German magazine, "Das Vegetarische Universum", wrote of his research:

"For a quarter of a century archaeologists exploring caves in the Bayan-Kara-Ula Mountains, on the border of China and Tibet, have been finding old-looking stone discs covered with unreadable patterns and hieroglyphs. A total of 716 such discs have been discovered, apparently dating back several thousand years.

"Like a gramophone record, each disc has a hole in its centre from which a double groove spirals its way to the circumference. The grooves are not sound-tracks, but the oddest writing in China and indeed the rest of the world."

Archaeologists and decipherers of ancient writing racked their brains trying to solve the secret of the spirals. The result of the research by the Chinese archaeologist was so shattering that the Peking Academy of Pre-History banned publication of his work. Eventually permission was obtained and the professor and his four colleagues published their collective effort under the intriguing title "Groove Writing Relating to Spaceships which, as Recorded on the Discs, Existed 12,000 Years Ago."

The caves high up in the Bayan-Kara-Ula Mountains are inhabited by the Ham and Dropa tribes – frail, stunted men averaging four feet two inches in height. So far they have defied ethnic classification. In fact, any detailed information about the tribes is extremely scarce.

When deciphered, one of the hieroglyphs presumably set down by an ancient member of the Ham tribe read: "The Dropas came down from the clouds in their gliders. Our men, women and children hid in the caves ten times before the sunrise. When at last they understood the sign language of the Dropas, they realized that the newcomers had peaceful intentions . . ."

Another Ham hieroglyph expresses regret over the loss of the tribe's own spaceships during a dangerous landing in high mountains, and the failure to build new ones.

In the opinion of Chinese archaeologists, the Bayan-Kara-Ula hieroglyphs are so mysterious that their interpretation and use for scientific research require the utmost care.

To obtain further information, the discs were scraped free of adhering rock particles and sent to Moscow for study. Scientists there made two important discoveries. The discs were found to contain a large amount of cobalt and other metals – a shaking discovery. Further investigation revealed that the iscs vibrate in an unusual rhythm, as if they carried n electric charge or were part of an electric circuit: The 12,000 year-old discs remain a challenge to cience.

Legends of ancient China say that small, gaunt, ellow-faced men came down from the clouds. But arthly tribesmen felt a revulsion for the visitors, hose enormous heads and extremely thin, weak odies made them look ugly, and "some people on ast horses" beat them.

Reality seems to confirm the legends. In some of he Bayan-Kara-Ula caves archaeologists and spelologists have found 12,000 year-old vestiges of raves and skeletons. The remains belong to human eings with huge craniums and underdeveloped skel- tons. The Chinese expeditions which discovered e grounds reported they had found "an extinct ecies of ape." But so far as is known apes do not ry each other in graves or write hieroglyphic sym- ls on stone discs.

What makes the issue doubly involved is that the ner walls of the caves are covered in many places th pictures of the rising sun, the moon, and the ars, spaced by a multitude of pea-sized dots (poss- y tiny pictures) which seem to be approaching the rth in a mountain area.

LESTIAL EGGS.

eruvian legend has it that the ancient inhabitants Peru were born from bronze, gold and silver eggs ich had fallen from heaven. The tale is cited but without comment in Jean Elisee Reclus' famous k "La Terre."

variant of the egg legend is featured in the ous Tassili frescoes, which were found in the rt of the Sahara by a French lieutenant named nand. Shortly afterwards the place was examined a French expedition led by Henri Lotte, who later te The Search for the Frescoes of Tassili. In ition to pictures of animals and hunting scenes, frescoes depict strange figures dressed in what s like spacesuits and spherical helmets. The ets are definitely attached to the suits, which e no associations with ritual headdress or hunting gear. Nor is there any association with the hunters who, as some scholars assume, used ostrich eggshells for helmets. Lotte called the enigmatic figures Martians.

Describing the ancient drawings on the cave walls the French explorer says that one of them depicts "a man appearing from an egg-shaped object covered with concentric circles. The object resembles an egg, or possibly a snail."

So the Peruvian legend and the Tassili frescoes seem to have much in common. But the parallel does not end there. At a later date, in yet another part of the world, the same subject was treated by ancient Greek sculptors, certain of whom portrayed Castor and Pollux of Dioscuria, as well as Helen and Nemesis, with remnants of egg-shells on their heads, for according to Greek mythology they arose from celestial eggs.

How did the odd idea of man's birth from an egg take shape? Perhaps by analogy with birds or fish? But why falling from the sky? One Latin American legend says that eggs dropped down from the sky on dandelions! The absence of any existing interpretation of this art leaves the door open for what must seem a fantastic assumption: that the legend of the celestial eggs, like any other myth or legend, could have originated from bonafide impressions of an actual event. An ancient man may once have seen a container with a human being in it descend from the sky, and imagined that the visitor was emerging from a celestial egg.

"VISITING CARDS" OF SPACE TRAVELLERS.

During excavations at different times in Japan archaeologists found figurines (dogu) depicting a kind of human or anthropoid in odd-looking "space suits" and with helmets wholly covering their heads. On the helmets were visible marks of something like slit-type glasses, breath-filters, antennae, hearing aids and even nightsight devices.

Reviewing the latest Soviet space achievements, the German magazine Freie Welt in issue No. 12, 1966, printed a selection of rock drawings and photographs of dogu under the humorous title, "Visiting Cards?", declaring that such drawings and figurines might be construed as proof that the Earth was once visited by space beings.

Many similar rock pictures have been discovered throughout the world. There are pictures of spacemen on cave walls in the Val Comonique, the Swiss Alps, in Australia, close to Fergana and near the city of Navoi, in Soviet Central Asia.

Puzzles that may have started with a space visit are contained in legends and myths. Legends of Australia, the Near East, South and Central America and the Far East all tell of the descent of gods from the sky. They offer food for thought.

THE STAR OF BETHLEHEM.

The phrase "Star of Bethlehem" is twenty centuries old. Some regard it as a product of sheer fantasy, others think that initially it [illegible] meaning. Two centuries ago the mystery attracted the German astronomer, Johan Kepler, while more recently, scientists held an international symposium to discuss the matter.

But neither Kepler nor contemporary scientists found the key to the problem, which may turn out to have an altogether unexpected solution.

In antiquity and the Middle Ages human imagination was stirred by an unusual star, now believed to be the Star of Bethlehem. The star was alleged to be able to move and stop.

From that let us turn to the Christian Apocrypha-books banned by Church censorship from services and religious reading. The Apocrypha reflects man's efforts to explain the most dramatic mysteries of life. These books sometimes stand in direct contradiction of Church-approved texts.

A familiar one about early Christianity is called "The Tale About the Three Magi". The original version must have been written in Latin in the middle of the third century at the earliest, and later translated into many languages. A 15th-century Byelorussian translation made five centuries before the space era contains a highly unusual interpretation of the tale. The star, it says, was watched by astronomers (this is the actual word used) in many Oriental countries. Once it appeared at night and "lit up the whole of the sky as the sun does." Then the star hung over Mount Vans for a whole day, after which it alighted on the mountain like an eagle.

The text contains a reference to "certain books" which claim that Christ came down from that star. "But it was different from the one pictured in our churches. It had wings, the kind an eagle has, and many long rays.", which sent it moving in a circle when it descended upon Mount Vans.

This version of the old story unexpectedly introduces a new image and a new idea, both sharply at variance with the church texts. Without question, the apocryphal version is fantastic. But it is hardly more fantastic than the approved canonic version. What was at the basis of the author's fantasy? That, too, is shrouded in mystery.

ANGELS IN FLYING MACHINES.

The Dechany Monastery in Kosovskaya Metehia, southern Yugoslavia, was built in the first half of the 14th century, and by 1350 contained numerous frescoes on subjects from the Old and New Testaments.

In the spring of 1964 more frescoes were found in the monastery. The Yugoslav magazine Svet published photographs entitled: "Spaceships on the Dechany Crucifix, Sputniks in our frescoes, Could ancient icon-painters have depicted spaceships in Dechany?" It did not take a journalist's imagination to think up titles like these. Dechany frescoes actually depict angels flying in spaceships like the present sputniks.

Two ships are shown flying one after the other from west to east. Sitting in the lead ship is a man without an angel's halo. He holds an unu [illegible] ntrol column" and looks behind him as if watch [illegible] the flight of his fellow-spaceman. Sitting in the spaceship following is another man, who also has nothing in common with the traditional angel and also has one hand on the "controls".

Both ships have streamlined bodies. Clearly visible jets in their wake accentuate the impression of speed. "The saints in the flying machines are in the position of pilots", says the magazine.

Angels watching the flight cover their eyes and ears with their hands and seem to be backing away for fear of being blinded of deafened. Below, two groups are pictured, every face portraying surprise, fear, or perplexity. The central figure represents the crucified Christ.

The fresco depicting the Resurrection of Christ looks just as odd. The Messiah looks as if he is in a rocket which has not yet begun to move, explains the Yugoslav magazine. Indeed, the vehicle looks very much like a space rocket, with a two-wing stabilizer in its upper part. With his right hand Christ is trying to lift aboard the ship one of the people standing on the ground before starting on his way to the heavenly kingdom.

Monks at Dechany, to whom experts turned for an explanation, replied that apparently the drawings of "ships" are pictures of the Sun and the Moon. According to New Testament legend, Christ was crucified during a solar eclipse. But why the "sun" is depicted rising in the west the monks could not say.

One of the papers on the Dechany miracle refers to a hypothesis saying that Christ was a man who came down to Earth from space. The magazine comments that such ideas are "overbold", that the hypothesis, if confirmed, "would basically alter the Biblical story about Christ". The frescoes, it is noted, showing objects obviously resembling sputniks, "baffle layman and specialist alike."

The Dechany "Miracle" is not unique. An icon in the Church Archaeology Study of the Moscow Theological Academy, called The Resurrection of Jesus Christ and dating back to the 17th century, shows Christ in a streamlined container which vaguely resembles a spaceship standing on the ground. Smoke billows from both sides of the container's lower part, enveloping the legs of the angels who watch from the sidelines. Just as on the Dechany fresco, Christ's right hand lifts a man (the church version identifies him with Adam). Eve waits for her turn on the other side.

The icon is surely of an apocryphal nature. There may have been a written version presenting a non-canonical view of Christ's resurrection and ascension, but if there is, nothing is known about it. Possibly it was destroyed by Church censors or else it disappeared with time. Or perhaps the manuscript exists undiscovered, in which case it may have inspired icon (or mural) painters to present space episodes.

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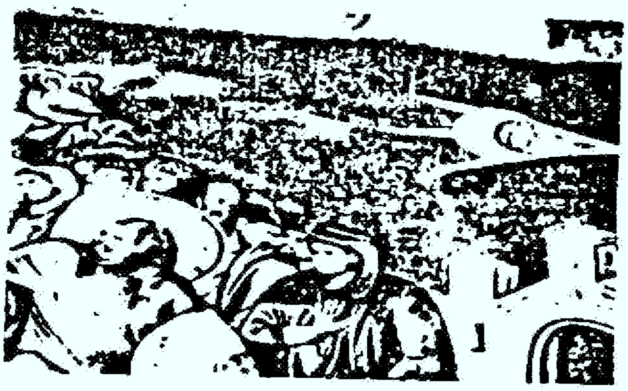
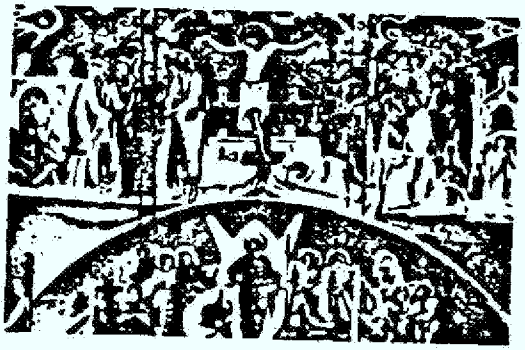
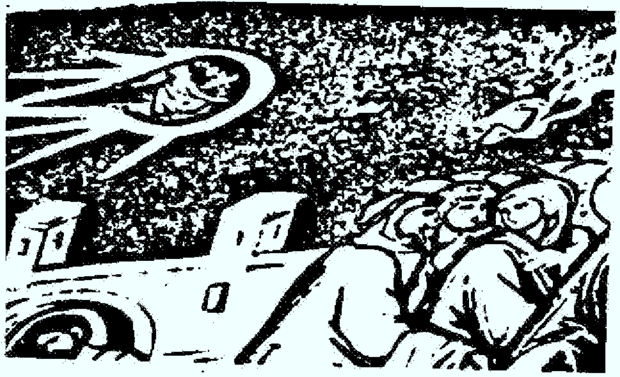


Fresco in the Dechany Monastery (Yugoslavia). The angels look as if they were flying in spacecraft.

The icon, "The Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ". (17th century) from the Moscow Theological Academy. "The House of the Lord" resembles a space ship.





Science .

Science and God

DR. WERNHER VON BRAUN.

"It is one of the tragedies of our time, that science and religion have become adversaries", says Dr. Wernher von Braun, who is one of the world's leading space-researchers, head of the George C. Marshall Space-travel Centre in Alabama, one of the brains behind the Gemini Project and the U.S.A.'s project for the first manned moon rocket, to be sent up in 1969.

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THE TWO STRONGEST FORCES which go to create our present-day civilisation are science and religion. Through science Man seeks to learn more of the mysteries of Creation. Through religion he seeks to understand the Creator.

They are not independent of each other. It is just as difficult for me to understand a scientist who cannot perceive a Higher Reality behind the origin of the Universe, as it is to understand a theologian who denies the advances made by science. Science and religion are far from being independent of each other, neither are they opposing forces; on the contrary they are as brothers. Both are striving for a better world. While science seeks to uncover the forces of Nature around us, religion is trying to discover the forces in Man himself.

As we gradually gain a greater knowledge of nature so we become more impressed and humbled by its orderliness and never-failing perfection. Our extensive knowledge of the Universe and its laws has made it possible for us to send people out from their natural surroundings into unknown space and bring them safely back to earth again.

ENDLESSNESS OF THE UNIVERSE.

Manned space-flights are pioneer works. But until now they have only begun to open the door out toward the endlessness of the Universe.

That which we can see of the mysteries of the Universe through the crack in that door only confirms our belief in its Creator. Mankind with its limited understanding cannot comprehend an omnipresent, almighty, all-knowing and eternal God.

Every attempt to create a picture of God and reduce Him so that He can be comprehended offers but further proof of His Greatness. I believe it best if one, through Faith, accepts God as a proof of Goodwill, which throughout history manifests itself more and more as the ability of Mankind to understand, grows.

It gives peace of mind to think of God as the Father of all, and the resultant thought, that all men are brothers, is an ethical guide-line.

Scientists only know that in nature nothing is destroyed without being converted into energy. Not even the tiniest particle can disappear without leaving a trace. Nature knows nothing of annihilation, only change. Would God have had less consideration for His Masterpiece, the Human Soul?

For me immortality means a continuation of our spiritual existence after death.

Mankind has had a belief in a life after death since the dawn of history. This has been as essential part of the primitive cultures' religions and it has been preserved in higher developed religions and philosophies.

The significance of this is of far more importance than the pronouncements of philosophers and theologians about what we can expect when we leave this world. From the dawn of time the conception of immortality has had its influence on untold millions of people.

THE SOUL DIVIDES MANKIND FROM OTHER CREATIONS.

The soul separates Man from the animal. An animal's actions are dictated by its inborn impulses, i.e. hunger, fear and self-preservation. These im-

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UFO CONTACT WISHES TO OFFER ITS DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO
THE FAMILY OF A BRAVE SOVIET PIONEER –
COSMONAUT VLADIMIR KOMAROV
WHO DIED ON A SPACE VENTURE, APRIL 24th 1967.

pulses come from the animal's glands and [illegible]ions are wholly automatic. The make-up of an animal allows no room for freedom of choice, searching curiosity or doubt or conflict between impulses and ethical standards.

An animal knows nothing of that strange voice called conscience, which tells us what is right and what is wrong. Only Mankind is equipped with the conflicts which arise, because it is created in God's Image. And only Mankind is equipped with a soul which enables it to master the problems caused by these conflicts.

Today, thousands of scientists are at work on the most momentous task Mankind has ever faced; an attempt to understand a physical Universe which is unending in time and space, complicated in its detail and impressive in its orderliness, and to understand its origin and how it functions.

It is no longer a sufficient explanation of the aims of science to say that it seeks to find the physical laws which govern the Universe and increases Mankind's control over it, because science's field of endeavour has increased in size. The basic elements of science are collective experiences, observations and the setting of certain goals at which to aim. From these the scientist tries to make a model of time, proportions and cause. When one gains new knowledge the old model is not rejected, it is just altered where the new knowledge points to an alteration.

By reason of the fact that the scientist is willing to alter his model of the Universe, he shows that he does not demand to know the final truth. His scientific laws are at most only re-writings of the observations he has made.

The laws of science do not control the reality but attempts only to explain it. Therefore the laws can be altered when one attains new knowledge.

NEW AIMS.

The tasks which science sets itself are never-ending. For truth is no static concept. For every new answer arrived at, a dozen new concepts come into view.

Science stands before new frontiers in many fields of endeavour: the nucleus of the atom becomes more and more enigmatic – the origin and composition of the Universe is still shrouded in mystery – the inner functions of living organisms still allow of no explanation. Science's Golden Age lies ahead of us.

The scientist works in an atmosphere where doubt is an accepted fact of life and exaggerated orthodoxy taboo. Thomas Huxley says of the scientist: "For him scepticism is a first duty and blind faith an unforgivable sin". A result of scientific progress is that traditions, which are the buttresses of faith, have been swept aside. The sciences and religion have therefore often collided. And yet it is one of the tragedies of our time that science and religion have become adversaries. Because to achieve a solution of the conflict it has been tempting to adopt a policy of peaceful co-existence, to divide our experiences into two different areas, to give [illegible]ce control over the one and religion control over the other.

Let science explore the physical world, whilst religion takes care of the other, people say. When science has reached its limits, then religion can take over and explain that which allows of no explanation. This is a fateful step to take. To separate the two worlds could only be done if scientists were not Christians and no Christians were scientists. But science and religion do not reign over two separate kingdoms.

INVISIBLE.

It is not possible to build a wall between religion and science. Gradually, as science is enabled to explain some of the mysteries of the Universe it comes into areas which were previously unknown or only accepted on a basis of faith.

Every new experience – physical or spiritual – must fit into a pattern which gives both faith and meaning. It is Mankind that explores the Universe, experiments, and seeks for the truth. It is not just a detail, it takes part itself in the process of creation. Mankind itself is the greatest result of the Creation.

The fact that more and more of the wonders of Creation are being disclosed is of direct concern to Mankind.

Science and religion can be compared with two windows in a house, through which we can observe the world around us or our neighbours. (There are other windows to be found in the house: Art, Literature and History). Whatever we may see through the windows of this imaginary house, it must fit in with the model we have of the Universe and our place in it.

Where it does not fit, we must alter the model, alter our aim and try to increase our ability to understand the Creation.

In our modern society it would appear that many people think that the advances made by science have caused such things as religious belief to become out-of-place and old-fashioned. They cannot understand why we should "believe" in something, when science can tell us that we "know" so much. The simple answer to this assertion is that we are aware of more of nature's mysteries today than people were before the advent of scientific research. There is absolutely no reason to believe that God cannot retain His place in our modern times in the same way as before we began to examine His Creation with telescope and ion-accelerators.

Even though science is no religion, it is, by nature of its assumptions, its application and its search for the truth, a religious function. The Creator reveals Himself through His Creations. As Charles A. Coulson says: "Science helps us to create a picture of God". We must remember that science only exists because there are people, and its concepts exist only in people's understanding. Behind these concepts lies reality, which God can reveal to us.

LIFE'S GIFTS.

Each of us receives life's gifts on Earth. A belief in a continued spiritual life after the comparitively short time of 70 years of physical life here on Earth, compared with the endless cycle of eternity, makes the actions of the moment an investment with far-reaching consequences.

The certainty that Man can choose between good and evil should lead him nearer to his Creator. Further, it should lead to an understanding that Man's life here and later, is more likely to depend on his relation to the spiritual than to the scientific.

Our decisions now will unavoidably determine future actions. Nature around us will hold more unsolved than solved mysteries. But science has won itself sufficient power so that it can open up a Golden Age for Mankind, providing this power is used for good – or destroy it, if the power is used negatively.

Religion's ethical guide-lines are the bonds that can hold civilisation together. Without it Man cannot reach his dearest goal – peace with himself, his God and his neighbour.

Wernher von Braun.

From: "Jyllands-Posten", Denmark,
Dec 11th 1966.
Credit: IGAP-DENMARK.
Translation: RONALD CASWELL.

UFO-reports

Soviet radar spots UFOs

MOSCOW – (AP) – A Soviet scientist says there may really be such things as flying saucers from outer space.

Soviet radar screens have detected unidentified flying objects (UFOs) for 20 years, he says.

But Soviet scientists, like their colleagues in the West, are still puzzled about what such UFOs really

The scientist, identified only as F. Zigel, was writing in the current issue of the illustrated Soviet youth magazine Cmena.

He offered five possible explanations for UFOs, including visitors from outer space. He called this alternative "extremely speculative."

"But," he added, "as the UFO problem has not yet been solved, different explanations, including extremes, are possible."

The article took the lid off a subject rarely discussed in the press here.

In the 1950s the Soviet press scoffed at American reports of flying saucers as just so much cold war propaganda.

By those Soviet accounts, the Americans tried to explain away the "saucers" as some sort of new, secret Soviet weapon.

Reports of flying saucers sighted in the Soviet Union, in the Caucasus and in Central Asia, also were ridiculed here.

Then for several years the Soviet press remained silent on the whole question; the Cmena article showed that the UFO issue is being reopened, this time as an object of serious scientific study.

Zigel was identified as one of the editors of a book, "Inhabited Cosmos," being prepared for publication here. The book will discuss the possibility of living beings in space and efforts to communicate with them.

The chief editor of the book is B. P. Konstantinov, who, as a vice president of the Soviet Academy of Science, is one of this country's most respected scientists.

In his magazine article, Zigel said the "Angel Echo," a UFO detected by radar, is constantly observed by scientists at the Central Aerological Observatory near Moscow.

Similar observations, he said, have been made in the United States, Australia, India and Japan.

"The phenomena of the UFO today should be considered as global," he added.

He rejected the idea that birds, insects or plant seeds could cause such reactions on radar screens.

Zigel said there could be no doubt that UFOs exist "but the nature of these objects is still not understandable today."

Then he listed these five possible explanations:

1. NONSENSE or invention. He said there was some untruth here, citing reports of people who claimed to have ridden in flying saucers and others who threw hats in the air and then photographed "saucers". But he rejected this alternative as killing the question rather than solving it.

2. AN OPTICAL illusion related to the distribution of light in the earth's atmosphere, such as a rainbow. The UFO, he said, is more complicated than that, however.

3. A NEW SECRET flying apparatus of one of the military powers on earth. "No one holds this view now," he said.

4. AN UNKNOWN phenomena of nature, just as radioactivity was unknown until the end of the last century. In this context, ionized particles and charged particles of dust in the atmosphere were given as a possible explanation. But Zigel said, this does not explain the color or maneuverability of UFOs or their appearance in good weather.

5. SPACESHIPS from an advanced civilization on another planet. Zigel said the speed of UFOs supports this theory. So does what he called "the fact" that no UFOs were ever reliably reported to have landed.

Zigel called for "an all-sided, thorough, scientific exploration" to clear up the origin of UFOs once and for all.

From: The Miami News, Wed, April 19th, 1967.
Credit: Mrs. Jane McEvoy, Florida, U.S.A.

"MANY TIMES I HAVE SEEN FLYING DISCS
OLLOWING AND OVERTAKING MISSILES IN
LIGHT AT THE EXPERIMENTAL BASE AT WHITE
ANDS, NEW MEXICO, WHERE, AS IS KNOWN,
HE FIRST AMERICAN ATOM BOMB WAS TRIED
UT."

COLONEL MACLAUGHLIN.
Missile expert.
(Statement in 1949.)

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29 sight UFO's over White Sands Range

by Dorrance Guy.

lamogordo, N.M. – At least 29 White Sands Missile
ange personnel were eyewitnesses to one or more
nidentified Flying Objects between 10.30 and 11
m. Thursday.

News concerning the UFOs has been cutoff by
ders from the Pentagon.

All service personnel and civilians working for the
rvices have been forbidden to discuss the sight-
gs.

An investigation is under way at Holloman Air
rce Base, N.M., with Maj. James Stephens, UFO
ficer, in charge. He, too, is not allowed to discuss
e sightings.

Terry Clark, president and general manager of
lio station KALG, Alamogordo, said the UFOs first
re spotted near Ruidoso, N.M., then went near
olloman AFB, then south toward Orogrande, N.M.,
d then disappeared over the Sacramento Moun-
ns.

Information officers at Holloman AFB and WSMR
re contacted by Clark and he was told the Flight
fety Office at Kirtland AFB at Albuquerque, N.M.,
uld handle the investigation. Kirtland would make
comment exept that all information would have to
me from the Pentagon.

Clark called the assigned number at the Pentagon
l was told that no information was available.

Capt. Frank J. Morris, director of information at
lloman AFB, Saturday night said that Maj. Step-
ns is handling the investigation. He said the re-
ts would be sent to Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio,
l from there would go to the Pentagon. He said
information would be released except through the
blic Information Office under the Secretary of the
Force.

Neither WSMR nor Holloman AFB personnel has
y authority in the case.

Clark said eyewitnesses, when they could be ident-
d, would not allow use of their names because
the Air Force regulation.

However, these witnesses estimated that the "silv-
discs" were flying at an altitude of "20,000 to
300 feet" and moving at a speed of "approximat-
2,000 miles per hour."

There were several Air Force planes in the air
r WSMR at the time of the sightings. While it took a few minutes to transfer from Army to Air Force communications, the pilots were notified of the UFOs. They circled around, but none of the pilots was able to see anything unusual.

Missile firings at WSMR were checked. There were none at this time. There was little cloud cover during the half hour involved and, at this time of day, it would be impossible to see a meteor. The objects were moving much faster than a balloon.

One WSMR individual said the UFOs were tracked on radar. There is no accurate estimate of the number of objects spotted. There may have been one – may have been more.

There is no indication when the Pentagon will release any information on the sightings – if ever.

From: The El Paso Times, El Paso, Texas.
Sunday, March 5th, 1967.

COMMENT: We understand from our source of information that this news item appeared only in El Paso, Texas. Inquiries showed that the Air Force had stopped the incident being reported in the national newspapers. To quote the above news report: "There is no indication when the Pentagon will release any information on the sightings – if ever."

UNQUOTE.

And so, life goes on . . .

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UFO's over British Columbia

On April 14th, 1967, at about 8.05 p.m., Ian Squire and Scott McNeill (two boys aged about 14) were on their cycles going along Cedar Hill Crossroads, Virginia, B.C. They crossed over Cadboro Bay Road into Upper Terrace Road (Uplands residential district), and proceeded down into Ripon Road as far as the Circle. From there, they saw a red and a green light hovering over what they thought was probably the area of the Uplands Golf Clubhouse on Cadboro Bay Road. They were on their way down to the Yacht Club, and didn't stop to investigate, however. The two lights were not blinking, and seemed stationary (but it must be remembered that on their cycles, they were moving, which prevented their being certain about this last point). The sky was dark and starry: there was hardly any wind at all.

At 8.10 p.m. the same evening, i.e. five or six minutes later, Ian Squire's grandmother (name withheld at witness' request) was driving uphill along Cadboro Bay Road southwards towards the northern gates into The Uplands district, when suddenly she saw a red and a green light over the roadway, i.e. higher than the height of a very tall tree. The witness, who is personally known to me through her daughter and grandson, unfortunately did not stop to investigate. Instead, she continued on right underneath the object which, she said, seemed to be spread entirely over the width of the wide roadway. The two colored lights seemed to be shining only forwards, and to be from 4 to 8 feet from the extremities of the dark shape behind them. The was a tiny white light behind which did not seem to be attached to the object in any way; but as the night was very dark, she admits that this could also have been a star. The colored lights were not blinking, and the object seemed not to move, although she of course was moving towards it in her car. She described the object (which, she admits, she saw very indistinctly in the almost complete darkness), as a black winglike thing which made no noise. Then she suddenly thought "Surely it can't be a plane, this low. Perhaps it is a flying saucer". The size of the 2 colored lights was small, about the size of ordinary car blinker-lights. If the witness had stopped to investigate, this could have been a most important sighting. Unfortunately, she preferred to continue on her way, and thus lost a great opportunity.

Thursday April 13th around 8.15 p.m., Victoria's lights suddenly all dimmed for a couple of seconds, and at that moment, witnesses in town chanced to see a colored object streak across the sky. The Press tried to 'explain' this dimming to lightning up at Campbell River, some 200 miles away: this, however, would seem unconvincing, in view of the numerous past cases where a certain type of UFO has repeatedly caused the dimming, and indeed the blackout, of electric lights in widely separated areas. It is also well-known to researchers that other types of UFO's do not affect electrical installation: on the other hand, it is possible that all UFO's may have the ability to affect such installations, or to refrain from doing so, at will.

Report from: P. M. H. Edwards, Victoria, B.C.,
Canada.
Credit: Tommy Helmer,
Bromma, Stockholm, Sweden.

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From: The Mexican newspaper "EL HERALDO", February 26th, 1967.

(There are three photographs of flying saucers produced in the article, which unfortunately we cannot reproduce here. However, here are the captions to the photographs. – Ed.)

Nr. 1. "This photograph of a strange space object was taken by Dr. Jose A. Lanuza, professor at the Sorbonne in Paris and at the Autonomous National University of Mexico, when he travelled aboard an airplane of the Compañia Mexicana de Aviación from Mexico City to Guadalajara." (– It will be remembered by some readers that many times George Adamski spoke of a saucer base in the mountains around Guadalajara. – Ed.)

Nr. 2. "Dr. Lanuza was able to take this picture above the Valley of Mexico. It shows in our sky the presence of another flying object. It is of a circular shape and has in its upper part a transparent dome. The ship seemed to be made of some metal of aluminium color."

Nr. 3. "This UFO photo was taken by Dr. Lanuza at a distance of about 100 metres from the machine and only a few metres above the surface of xico Valley. Note at the bottom of the picture the powerlines, which give an idea of how low the saucer was. Dr. Lanuza has the negatives in his possession, which have been carefully examined by photo experts, who stated that no fake was involved."

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Also in "EL HERALDO".

Flying saucers are seen in clear daylight

They were observed near Montevideo.

Montevideo (UPI) – Unidentified Flying Objects were observed in this capital in clear daylight, stated the director of the Astronomical Observatory ANTARES, Juan Reyes Febles, who succeeded in taking 21 color photos of said objects.

He added that from one saucer were ejected into space some smaller objects of the same shape whose colors varied from blue to violet and orange.

According to Mr. Reyes and other witnesses' observations is was an oval UFO seen at a height of about 6 km to the North of the City. It had an indented rim. One could see a dark dome with a distinctly white rim and one open porthole in the upper part.

Finally Reyes said: "It could be proved that it was a "mothersaucer", i.e., a giant space-ship which ejected from its interior other little ships that shot away at a vertiginous speed".

The sighting was made the day before yesterday and lasted for one hour and 40 minutes."

(We should remind readers that this sighting was made from an astronomical observatory, and that an open porthole at a height of 6000 metres or 20,000 feet could well be in view with certain types of telescopes. Whether it was in fact a porthole that was open at that cold height and in that thin air might be a point of conjecture perhaps, but we are not reckoning with terrestrial aircraft here, of course. – Editor.)

Credit: Mrs. Maria Cristina de Rueda,
IGAP-MEXICO.
Translation: Mrs. Dora Bauer, IGAP-AUSTRIA.

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»Convincing« UFO pictures

SANTA ANA. – A University of Colorado professor conducting a study of unidentified flying objects says that "Photographic evidence of UFOs, when available, is very convincing."

Robert J. Low, project co-ordinator of a Government-sponsored UFO study, is in Santa Ana to study a controversial 1965 UFO photo previously discredited by the Air Force.

Low termed the picture, taken by Rex Heflin of Santa Ana, as "among the top four or five" items of photographic evidence of UFOs.

Heflin, 37, a project inspector for the Orange County Highway Department, took his picture August 3, 1965, just off the Santa Ana freeway.

At that time the Air Force termed the Heflin pict- e a hoax.

The "Bluebook" report said Heflin's photo did not rrespond to his description of the round, saucer- e object.

But since then the Air Force has commissioned e independent study by the University of Colorado Boulder.

From: "San Francisco Chronicle",
Friday, March 10, 1967.
Credit: Theodore Gray Hullett, San Francisco,
California, U.S.A.

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wo PCs spot a »saucers«

Two policemen saw an oval-shaped object flash rough the sky yesterday. The officers said the aucer-like object flew over Strood, Kent, at about ,000 feet – and had a tail of blue and silvery stars.

Later there was a similar report from Sevenoaks. Kent.)

Police at Rochester said: "The authorities have een told."

From: "Daily Sketch", London, March 25th, 1967.

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»The flying saucer that Andrew saw in Stamford Sky«

Andrew, the eight-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Hyde, of 59 Scotgate, Stamford, claims to have seen a "flying saucer" over Stamford on Tuesday. Aug. 2. He was in his back garden at the time, and this is how he sketched and described what he saw:

"I saw this object in the sky twice this morning between about half-past ten and a quarter to eleven. It was going very quickly above the clouds. The first time I saw it, it was travelling in a N. W. direction, and then about ten minutes later it came back.

"It was then going in a S. E. direction, and it made no sound. the shape was round, with black circles looking like ship's port-holes round the middle. There were little things looking like landing wheels on the bottom.

"There was a cloud of yellow stuff coming out of the back and there was a ring round the middle of the object."

UNQUOTE.

From: A Stamford paper, Lincs. England.
August 1966.

A friend is a person who knows all about you — and still likes you. *Elbert Hubbard.*

Literature

»Piece for a jig-saw«

By LEONARD G. CARMP., M.S.I.A. A.R.Ae.S.

author of "Space, Gravity and the
Flying Saucer."

Here is a book about "flying saucers" which can be of immense interest to both the »converted" and to the "open-minded", to the lay-person looking for more corroboration to back up his beliefs in the reality of visiting space-ships, and to the technically-minded man who may well be rather surprised at the wealth of detail of a highly technical nature included in this work.

Leonard Cramp, who for many years has worked in both aerodynamics and, more recently, with the new design principles of the Hovercraft, has succeeded in writing a bookunderstood. by any person of normal intelligence who can read the English language.

"Piece For A Jig-saw" does, in truth, offer a piece – a very large piece – of that enigmatic jig-saw puzzle which has undulated and returned along 180 degrees through head-lines of the world's press for the past 20 years. Cramp himself has worked on material for this book for over half that time. It is 12 years since he submitted to the public "Space, Gravity and the Flying Saucer"; – this book is a natural and elevating follow-up.

Written in a style which is as open and as lacking in pomposity as the author himself, one finds a pattern developing from each chapter to the next, as he takes us from his brief but concise "background material" of orthodox aerodynamics, curves into a high trajectory through the experimental X-15 and the family of rockets, and into the deep blue. One is almost shocked to find with what ease Cramp brings us down – not in a capsule supported by great billowing parachutes, but gently landing in a field, any field, ready for instant take-off to a far-off hovering mother-ship.

At least, the mother-ship is there by implication, because Mr. Cramp, as he says, having "set myself the task of discovering the truth as an engineer", arrives, after a volume full of investigation and experimentation, at the last chapter which is entitled: "*Vindication Of A Scout Ship.*"

The last paragraph of the second from last chapter might well sum up a very large part of the UFO story. It also sums up the author, a man who succeeded in forming a large group of UFO enthusiasts from a very hard core of technology, men who know the principles involved in weight-distri[illegible] on [illegible] surface manipulation, i.e. expert engineers producing the revolutionary Hovercraft.

"Some of my readers will have been way ahead of me in these past assessments and no doubt will have anticipated my next intention. Yet others will be a trifle impatient that the following correlation should be made. But I must stress, I try very hard not to be biased. science is far more interesting left as it is. Therefore I am sincere in my next analysis. I trust the reader will be, too. I have purposely chosen the following title for the evidence which I hope may help shed some truer light on one who may be a very maligned man." UNQUOTE.

Yes, the "very maligned man" is George Adamski.

12 years ago Leonard G. Cramp produced the orthographic projections which showed how young Stephen Darbishire's "Coniston" saucer, as photographed, was identical in shape and proportion to Adamski's classic "scout-craft".

Today, in his book "Piece For A Jig-saw", Mr. Cramp produces startling evidence of a highly-technical nature which shows how, following along purely engineering principles as a result of analyses of hundreds of reported saucer-sightings, with accompanying detail of manoeuvre and flight patterns, he arrives at the ideal form, in all respects, for a visiting "saucer". The saucer he finally produces, after progressive line-drawings and photographs by the score, is the Adamski scout-craft.

In his concluding chapter, not only does the author quote details of engineering data provided by Adamski in his controversial books, but Mr. Cramp confesses that, until the time of writing this last chapter, he had not yet read completely Adamski's "Inside The Space Ships"! Realising perhaps certain readers' scepticism about this belated admission, Mr. Cramp goes on to describe points outlined in that book concerning Adamski's alleged trips in the scout-craft, whereby his (Cramp's) own scientifically arrived-at data receives startling corroboration!

"At this juncture I can almost hear many an Adamski sceptic breathing a sigh of incredulity, hardly able to believe that I should dare to include such material in a semi-technical work of this nature." Unquote.

With many detailed international sighting reports analysed scientifically, with his own photographed experiments showing the intensive study he has made of all aspects of "saucer" manoeuvres and flight, and accompanied by scores of finely-executed line-drawings, Leonard Cramp provides food for thought for all those of an open mind.

Here, biased or un-biased as we may seem, we would like to recommend to other biased and unbiased UFO researchers one of the best flying saucer contributions since "Inside The Space Ships"! That the author is not biased can be witnessed by the 360 pages of this book which are not about George Adamski.

In expressing the hope that certain UFOlogist sceptics will not now refrain from pu[illegible]sin[illegible]nd reading this excellent book, we would like to [illegible]clude with an excerpt from the summing-up by Leonard G. Cramp himself.

"Out of the confusion and the shadow surrounding this most enigmatic of flying saucer contact stories, emerges one or two, but nevertheless very important facts.

(a) Adamski type saucers are not uncommon among UFO reports.

(b) On purely engineering grounds the configuration of the "scout ship" offers the best all-round compromise which could embody the functions required by the gravitational propulsion theory.

(c) Adamski's description of inside a saucer is not inconsistent with the theory, on the contrary, theory seems to support it.

(d) Thus on these grounds alone I for one feel inclined to accept the first part of his experience as fact, and in my opinion any inconsistencies which appear in his subsequent claims are insufficient to invalidate the previous conclusions."

"PIECE FOR A JIG-SAW" – 27 sh. 6 d.
SOMERTON PUBLISHING COMPANY,
COWES, ISLE OF WIGHT.

Miscellaneous

Out of the clear, blue sky

by MAJOR H. C. PETERSEN.

WE ALL KNOW of accounts of objects which, during the past couple of hundred years, have been reported as falling down from the sky, – and, often enough, from a clear, cloudless sky.

Scientists and other experts have sought to explain such "falls" as meteorites, meteors, or – nowadays – as something in connection with flying, atomic tests or the like.

In the book "Le Matin des Magiciens", by the Frenchmen, Louis Pauwels and Jacques Bergier, volume One gives reference to 40,000 notations of falls of such extraordinary things.

If we concern ourselves solely with two groups of objects – meteorites and ice – then we find ourselves in an area where science and various other expert sources are quite positive in their conclusions.

Meteoric stones originate from comets and planets which have disintegrated, or from larger or smaller asteroids. The ice comes from airplanes – either formed outwardly or from the toilet.

There is no doubt that a great number [illegible] the meteoric falls actually are remains of "natural" objects in space – but not by any means all of them.

No doubt also, some of the falls of ice are from aircraft de-icing or breaking off by some other means; the theory about ice from the toilets is very doubtful, but even if we give this theory a certain chance, then it still explains only a very small part of the total number of reported falls.

Until the Rocket-Age's attempts to explain conditions in the Space around us began, a remarkable attitude prevailed within certain scientific circles in regard to that Space.

Earth was the navel of the Cosmos, around which and about which everything turned. The moon and the planets and the stars were hung in the sky for Earth's sake, and between all the bodies outside of Earth's atmosphere was this great empty Space, in which was to be found – absolutely nothing.

But the rockets told another story – they had been out there. We can say then, that now it is proven that Space is not empty. Among other things, dust has been registered. And it has become dusty in the space-capsule when the capsule door has stood open.

It is proven also, that certain chemical reactions can, in the course of a few seconds, form solid matter. (Einstein).

As all the planets are born in the same Cosmos, this means to say that the same elements or units which make up the "creation" are to be found in invisible form in this so-called empty Space. It "only" needs the right chemical reaction to take place for the whole to take solid form and to build up as planets, comets, meteorites or ice – or for that matter, as many other things.

It is therefore quite plain to see that science can, and must, soon add a new chapter to that book about the "factual" conditions in Space, which it is writing at this time. In this "book" it will be stated that, under certain conditions, solid matter is formed in empty Space – as well as much else – matter that can later fall onto this planet or others as "shooting-stars" or as ice from an airplane's toilet.

And it will be enormously difficult, – yes, almost impossible, – to differentiate between what are remains of solid bodies, such as planets, comets or asteroids, and what is produced by some other means. One might point to evidence of bacteria, but this just will not do, because bacteria can be gathered up from anywhere in the Cosmos. For example, our planet, just the same as other planets, has, during its journey through space, trailed behind itself a long tail of dust and bacteria. This dust and these bacteria are caught up at some time or another by other heavenly bodies, in the same manner that we collect dust and bacteria from other worlds.

In fact, we need not go to all the great amount of trouble that we do, to sterilize the space-ships and probes which are to be sent up; – our bacteria has long been present on our sister planets and many other planets, just as "their bacteria" h[illegible]een long, long while living with us.

Thus there exists great unexplored areas of research with which science can come to grips and learn from; and when, finally, these are explained, the next natural step will be to learn how one can come to live without being "infected" by bacteria.

We are on the way; but for a while yet we shall be "infected" by bacteria, and believe that we can "infect" our sister planets' inhabitants with our bacteria. *For a while yet we shall only find meteorites* that originate from planets, comets or asteroids, and ice which falls from the toilet-systems of airplanes.

October 1966.

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Here, in a report just received from the United States, is an important break-through into the area of research mentioned in the afore-going article. With precision timing, we now perceive that "– through condensation this dust eventually forms meteorites which are dense enough to be attracted to a planet –".

From: Los Angeles "Herald-Examiner", Sunday, January 22nd 1967.

»L. A. Man finds Life in Space«

THERE IS LIFE IN SPACE!

Chlorophyll, key compound of life on earth, exists abundantly in outer space.

These findings have been reported to a gathering of experts on Astronomy and Biodynamics meeting at the University of California at Berkeley by Dr. Fred Johnson of Electro-Optical Systems in Pasadena.

Based on his findings, Dr. Johnson told the Berkeley *colloquium the possibility* that *man* is *not alone* in the universe is excellent.

The physicist, astronomer and biochemist told the Berkeley sessions, which opened Friday, that after 13 years of research he had been able to identify interstellar dust and had found it is composed largely of the solid molecular substance chlorophyll and not ice or graphite as had been previously believed.

"There is no reason to believe that we on this planet are unique", Dr. Johnson told the Herald-Examiner. "There is very good evidence, on the other hand, that there may be similar forms of life throughout the universe".

Dr. Johnson reported that although interstellar dust is very small with each grain having an average density of 10 to 26 grams per cubic centimeter, he speculates that through condensation this dust eventually forms meteorites which are dense enough to be attracted to a planet.

SIMPLE PLANTS.

These meteorites, he said, then deposit the life substance chlorophyll and, as on earth, undergo the photosynthetic process to produce at [illegible]st [illegible]mple plant forms.

"The significance of my findings, if correct", Dr. Johnson declared, "is that a case for life chemistry in space can not only be inferred but the end product can be looked upon as a form of life similar to that on earth".

Johnson made his discoveries by observing the spectral lines of light absorption of interstellar dust. He found that the dust absorbed light at a certain range of wavelength.

Identifying an element or compound by spectral information is similar to identifying a human by his fingerprints.

It has been known that star-light contains many colors. Scientists also know that molecules or atoms in the path of star-light are capable of absorbing a part of it.

This means that individual molecules can be identified positively by the particular spectral portion of the light they absorb on a one-to-one basis.

IN MILLIONS.

Previous like studies of spectral lines indicated the presence of hydrocarbons. But since the combinations of known hydrocarbon compounds extends into the millions, further extensive study was required to identify the major components of dust from this spectral information.

Random testing of the possible hydrocarbon components of the interstellar dust would take several lifetimes. By systematic elimination of possibilities, Dr. Johnson reduced the field to porphyrins and carbotenoids, which are closely associated with chlorophyll. He compared the absorption band spectra of these substances in laboratory conditions simulating the extra-terrestrial environments of the dust and found that they matched.

Further investigation through both spectroscopic studies and laser research at the Electro-Optical Systems revealed the substance in question to be chlorophyll.

If some of this dust should reach a planet like Mars, could the chlorophyll photosynthesize?

"We have indications that life started here (on earch) from outside", Dr. Johnson declared. "The same thing could happen there".

To illustrate the point, Dr. Johnson said he conducted some experiments on rocks estimated to be 4½ billion years old. He found porphyrins, a "skeleton" form of chlorophyll.

Dr. Johnson speculated that the same mechanism – condensation of dust into meteors, which are then attracted to planets – can be at work now as well as in the past when earth was born.

Credit. – Mrs. Merna Lindermayor,
Can Bernadino, California.

The space brothers - and Earth's electronic equipment

Unavoidable Interference.

One of the commonest occurrences indicating the close presence of a UFO is the unavoidable interference with Earth's radio, electrical and electronic equipment, believed to be brought about by the different force field in which the UFO operates. Temporarily stalled cars, «dead» radios, distorted television screens and disrupted electronic equipment are among the features most frequently met with in a close encounter with a flying saucer. One of our correspondents in Westford, Mass., U.S.A., where there has been a record number of sightings this year, tells us that when a UFO passes near her home, a most extraordinary pattern of horizontal lines of small vees's (thus: vvvvvvvvvvvvvvv) appears on her television screen and that frequently when she goes outside to investigate, there is the culprit UFO! Included among the many reports of the increased world-wide UFO activity in recent months are typical ones such as the report from Azores published July 11 which reads: «Flying Object Stops Watches. A spokesman for Santa Maria Airport claimed today that a mysterious flying object apparently stopped all electro-magnetic watches at the airport when it flew slowly over the island yesterday. He said a white cylindrical object was seen flying slowly in a north-westerly direction at a height of 33,000 feet». Another report from Canberra, Australia, published soon after Mariner II was photographing Mars, reads: "Did Mysterious Object Distort Mars Signals? A mysterious glowing object – hovering near Canberra Airport while the U.S. Mariner space probe was taking pictures of Mars – has baffled experts in Canberra. Six members of the traffic control tower crew said the object hung suspended at about 5,000 feet for 40 minutes. It disappeared when an air force plane was sent out to identify it. Experts now are wondering if it was coincidence that the object was sighted shortly before nearby Tidninbilla tracking station was scheduled to pick up Mariner signals. The station had unusual difficulty in locking on to Mariner at the time».

Deliberate Control.

It is believed that most of the aforegoing incidents are more or less of an accidental nature. But there is steadily-mounting evidence over the years that our space visitors are able to and actually do use our electronic equipment to make their presence known to their earth brothers, to convey messages to trusted UFO workers on Earth, and for other specific purposes. Most of us have read accounts written by people claiming to have received messages, both garbled and clear, from the Space Brothers via ham radios, tensor-coil experiments, etc., or of seeing spacemen or other unidentified phenomena on their television screens. There was one amusing story of a man who fell asleep while watching a late, late movie on television and awoke several hours later to find himself staring at a strange, other-world face on his TV screen! He was so scared, he snapped off the TV set – and sold it the next day! Then there are cases of people hearing messages and celestial music on their tape recorders. Only recently, Fate magazine published a letter received from Myra Dee Hina of Sacramento, California, in which she stated that while attempting to record a new song she had created with the help of numerology, i.e., »notes forming the vibration of each word«, on a brand-new tape bought at a local store, she proceeded to pick the notes out on an organ and sing them on to the tape. She goes on to say: »I then went to turn off the tape recorder and found it had stopped. I reset it and played the notes over again. When I returned to the recorder to stop it, some sort of a force field seemed to appear. I could see it and feel it with my hands. It gave me the same sensation as if I held two repelling magnets. Wondering why such a condition existed, I stood and let the machine run on. When I no longer felt the force field, I ran the tape back to replay. My voice was clear, the notes were clear – but I was shocked beyond words when a beautiful orchestra began playing the very theme I had created. It lasted a long period, over 35 minutes. It is possible that the recorder somehow picked up music out of the air. There was no other instrument in the house, the tape was new and I ran it around 12 o'clock midnight. I've tried to repeat this strange incident several times, but nothing has happened. In addition to the music on the tape, a voice speaks in a language I never heard before. Several persons who have listened to the tape say they have a weird feeling while it is playing«.

A Warning Via Ham Radio.

While, even with an open mind, we cannot, understandably, vouch for the veracity of all these claims, we can quote a couple of experiences of this nature which happened to our founder, the late Wilbert B. Smith, during his long and intensive study of the UFO Mystery. WBS, as most of you know, was first and foremost a scientist, and he never accepted anything without careful checks and cross-checks and only by this method was he reasonably sure of his ground. But undoubtedly, he received clear-cut messages and confirmations on a variety of scientific and philosophical matters from his space friends, the »Boys from Topside«, through a number of different media. One of these sources was a local ham radio operator who must be clearly stressed, knew little if anything about Mr. Smith's work or scientific experiments and most of the messages he received for Wilbert Smith, on an unidentified waveband, were completely unintelligible to him – although they made a lot of sense to WBS.

By this means and with the usual, requested confirmation from other sources, Wilbert Smith received a lot of invaluable guidance in his scientific work. The most dramatic incident, however, occurred when WBS and a small working party of the then Ottawa Flying Saucer Club were preparing to test out an experimental machine they had built. Just prior to this test, the Boys from Topside broke into the ham radio operator's listening, blanking out all other stations and repeating insistently that they had an urgent message for Wilbert Smith which the operator was to pass on to him without delay – and this he did. The message, couched in scientific terms, might be translated into layman's language as saying that a certain flywheel in the experimental machine would not stand the stress of the r.m.p. about to be placed on it and that it would shatter under the strain; precaution should be taken. Heeding this advice, WBS and his co-workers built a protective wooden covering around the machine, after which they set it in motion and, as predicted, the flywheel shattered, embedding the wooden boards with its shrapnel!

Intervention on a Tape Recording.

Another strange experience occurred during an exchange of tape recording letters between WBS and another UFO worker in the U.S. At the time, WBBS was in possession of certain scientific data which the Boys from Topside had asked him to keep confidential for the time being. Inadvertently, WBS, more by implication than direct statement, let slip a few clues to this scientific problem in a tape-letter to his colleague. A week or so later, he received the tape back from his friend, with a message asking if he would fill in the blank spaces on the tape. Puzzled, WBS examined the tape carefully and played it over, only to discover that in the places where he had let slip the tell-tale clues, the sound had been neatly erased and there was a slightly sticky substance on the tape in these areas! The only possible conclusion he could reach was that it was the work of the Boys from Topside.

Here then, are two authentic cases of the Space Brothers using our electronic equipment for a specific purpose.

Use of Television.

Recently, the English magazine »Week-End« carried the following article, and while it is written in a humorous, tongue-in-cheek vein, its writer may have been a lot closer to the truth than he imagined! To quote: »Tonight you will probably sit down at home and watch your favourite television programme. Then you will forget all about it. But do you ever wonder what becomes of old television programmes – apart from the ones they show un Sundays?! Do they just fade out and vanish – or do they keep travelling through space for ever, perhaps to be picked up by creatures on other planets? Fantastic – – but scientists think it is possible. After all, we here in Britain were able to watch the Olympic Games in Japan via a satellite in outer space.

»Some scientists even think that weird cracklings and gibberish that occasionally come in on radio and TV programmes are really pirate programmes from other planets. And it is true that scientific listening posts have taped some mighty odd sounds from space which could come from some sort of intelligence, somewhere in the Universe.

»Back in September, 1953, viewers all over England were amazed when their screens suddenly carried the identification card and call letters of television station KLEE, in Houston, Texas. A freak occurrence? – that's what the experts thought – – until radio engineers tried to contact KLEE, thousands of miles away across the Atlantic. »Station KLEE«, they were told, »has been off the air for all of three years, and since that time no KLEE identification card has been shown«. Where had that phantom picture been for three years? Why did it appear in England? And how did it get back from wherever it had been. Nobody knows. So if, tonight, you should see an unidentified object on your screen – – –«

To Ufologists, the idea of watching a blank television screen for such phenomena is not so far-out – in fact, it might prove an interesting experiment for those of us who believe such things are possible. Coupled with a telepathic request to our space friends, it might even produce results! That the idea has some scientific backing is shown by a recent article which appeared in the »Ottawa Journal" viz:

»„Live" TV Coming from Outer Space?«

Salt Lake City (AP) – A distinguished British astronomer, Dr. Fred Hoyle, speaks of the possibility of »live« TV from outer space. And by »live« he means people – outer space people, people who may live on planets like ours on the other side of the Milky Way. Hoyle thinks it's highly probable that such planets and people do exist. So do a lot of other scientists.

»They think some of the radio waves hitting the earth right now contain messages from those people and there is some scientific effort under way to decipher these messages, to tune into those radio waves, waves which would also transmit pictures.

»What could we see and hear on this »celestial« television? Hoyle, in his new book, »Of Men and Galaxies« (University of Washington Press), says some of these outer space civilizations have evolved further than we and would therefore be able to tell us, for example, how to avoid a nuclear war«.

The Space Brothers Keep Their Word.

As predicted by the Space Brothers in earlier issues of Topside, they are keeping their promise to make themselves seen more and more by the people of Earth. From the increased number of reports of sightings and landings of UFOs all over the world, there can be little doubt that our space friends are now making an all-out effort to awaken us to their reality, and it is becoming daily more obvious that they are prepared to use every peaceful means within their considerable power to achieve their mission of goodwill. Their purpose appears to be two-fold: (1) To prevent a nuclear holocaust which may not only destroy Planet Earth but also produce dire results on the entire Solar System and perhaps even further afield in Outer Space; and (2) To enlighten their more backward Earth Brothers as to the urgent necessity of widening their horizons to encompass knowledge and practice of Cosmic Brotherhood, and the realization that they have moral obligations not only to their own kind but to civilizations on other planets who may have to suffer for Earth's irresponsible actions.

If the powers-that-be on Earth continue to cover-up and disregard the continued efforts of the Space Brothers, then they may expect to receive even more startling and dramatic visitations in the near future.

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SHOULD OUR READERS WISH TO OFFER POSITIVE HELP – FINANCIAL OR OTHERWISE – IN SPREADING THE TRUTH OF THE UFO-CASE, THEN THAT HELP WILL BE VERY WELCOME.

The Editors.

NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION
GODDARD SPACE FLIGHT CENTER
GREENBELT, MARYLAND 20771

FILE 172

Mr. Fred Steckling
FEB 28 1967

Alexandria, Virginia 22312

Dear Mr. Steckling:

Thank you very much for your letter and for your offer to show us your film. I am not really qualified to pass judgment on it, but it would be good to have the people here at Goddard who are look at it. May I suggest, then, that you give Mr. Penn Stevens, , a call. He will make an appointment for you to come out to Goddard and show the Photographic Branch and me your film. Unfortunately we have no 8mm projector here, so I must ask you to bring your own. Thank you again for your offer.

Sincerely yours,

Paul D. Lowman, Jr.
Geochemistry Laboratory
Laboratory for Theoretical Studies

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
WASHINGTON 20330

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

MAR 17 1967

Dear Mr. Steckling:

Your letter concerning your unidentified flying object (UFO) film finally reached my office---Office of Information for Project Blue Book, the Air Force UFO program.

The Air Force would be very interested in reviewing your film. If you would get in touch with me at the Pentagon, we will arrange a showing for any Monday which is convenient for you. My number is or .

Thank you for offering to show your film; I am looking forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

George P. Freeman, Jr.
GEORGE P. FREEMAN, JR.
Lt Colonel, USAF
Chief, Civil Branch
Community Relations Division
Office of Information

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI DATE: 7/25/67

FROM : SAC, NEWARK (47-0)

SUBJECT: UNIDENTIFIED AERIAL OBJECTS
[redacted], COMPLAINANT
ALLEGED IMPERSONATION OF FBI AGENTS
AND MILITARY PERSONNEL
IMPERSONATION

8 Flying Saucers

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are Chapters 13 and 14 of a book now being prepared by [redacted] The book relates to Unidentified Aerial Objects (UAO) which [redacted] states will soon be published in magazine form on a nation-wide basis.

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[redacted] who claims to have written several books, is a graduate of Oxford in England and has various degrees. He states that he has appeared on the Gary Moore Show and other types of television projects. He relates that he has been extremely concerned about UAOs and in the submitted material he eludes briefly to the FBI and the CIA.

There does not appear to be a violation of the Impersonation Statute or any other violation over which this Bureau now has jurisdiction. The enclosed information is submitted only for the Bureau's interest and no further action is contemplated by Newark.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 6/8/67

FROM : SAC, MIAMI (62-0-11328) C

SUBJECT: [redacted]
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Flying Saucers

A review of the Miami indices revealed information reflecting subject appeared at the Miami Office on July 24, 1959, and volunteered to return to Austria as an intelligence agent. His expressed motivation was to do something to repay the debt he felt he owed the United States. He was afforded the Washington, D. C. Headquarters address of the Central Intelligence Agency and told his inquiry should be directed there.

Also, on July 4, 1961, he appeared at the Miami Office and gave an incoherent story of recently meeting an individual who asked him to kill his mother. [redacted] appeared to be somewhat bewildered and continuously gazed away from the interviewing Agent.

During his most recent visit to the Miami Office, [redacted] seemed genuinely concerned about the existence of the object he allegedly photographed during November, 1944. He exhibited no emotional nor mental disorder and appeared to be rational.

In view of recent publicity afforded UFO sightings, some apparently by responsible sources, this information is submitted to the Bureau for consideration of transmittal to the U. S. Air Force.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. 62-0-11328

Miami, Florida
June 8, 1967

RE: [redacted]
INFORMATION CONCERNING

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On April 26, 1967, [redacted] Miami, Florida, appeared at the Miami Office and furnished the following information relating to an object, presently referred to as an unidentified flying object, he allegedly photographed during November, 1944:

Sometime during 1943, he graduated from the German Air Academy and was assigned as a member of the Luftwaffe on the Russian Front. Near the end of 1944, he was released from this duty and was assigned as a test pilot to a top secret project in the Black Forest of Austria. During this period he observed the aircraft described above. It was saucer shaped, about twenty-one feet in diameter, radio controlled, and mounted several jet engines around the exterior portion of the craft. He further described the exterior portion as revolving around the dome in the center which remained stationary. It was [redacted] responsibility to photograph the object while in flight. He asserted he was able to retain a negative of a photograph he made at 7,000 meters (20,000 feet). A Xerox copy of the negative, as furnished by [redacted], appears on the last page of this communication. Also, a still photograph he allegedly made "at the risk of my life", illustrating the object parked in a hanger, appears on the last page.

According to [redacted] the above aircraft was designed and engineered by (First Name Unknown) [redacted] a German engineer whose present whereabouts is unknown to him. He assumed [redacted] was taken into custody by Allied Forces upon the termination of hostilities. [redacted] stated [redacted] unsuccessfully attempted to avoid the German draft, but was apprehended by the Gestapo

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RE: [redacted]
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in Vienna, Austria, sometime during late 1943 or early 1944. [redacted] also assumed the secrets pertaining to this aircraft were captured by Allied Forces. He said this type of aircraft was responsible for the downing of at least one American B-26 airplane. He furnished the following fuel and engine data:

> "....Fuel mixture of N_2H_4O in Methyl Alcohol (CH_3OH) rather than 'oxygen-holding' mixture of hydrogen peroxide H_2O_2 in water. 7m 1,3m high two rocket motors; smooth flow, rotary drive over 2,000 meters per second...."

[redacted] said he copied this data from a board located in the hanger area.

[redacted] asserted he was shot down by the British on March 14, 1945, after having been reassigned to the Western Front. He was held prisoner by the British in London and later in Brussels until his release in 1946. He departed for the United States from Bremerhaven, Germany, on December 26, 1951; entering the United States in New Jersey on January 7, 1952, and was subsequently naturalized in Miami during 1958. He is presently employed as a mechanic at Eastern Airlines, Miami, Florida. He related he was born May 3, 1924, in Austria.

[redacted] stated he has withheld this information because he assumed the United States possessed it. He has become increasingly concerned because of the unconfirmed reports concerning a similar object and denials the United States has such an aircraft. He feels such a weapon would be beneficial in Vietnam and would prevent the further loss of American lives which was his paramount purpose in contacting the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI).

[redacted] reiterated he has the original negatives of both photographs. He said the shots were taken at a thirty second time exposure.

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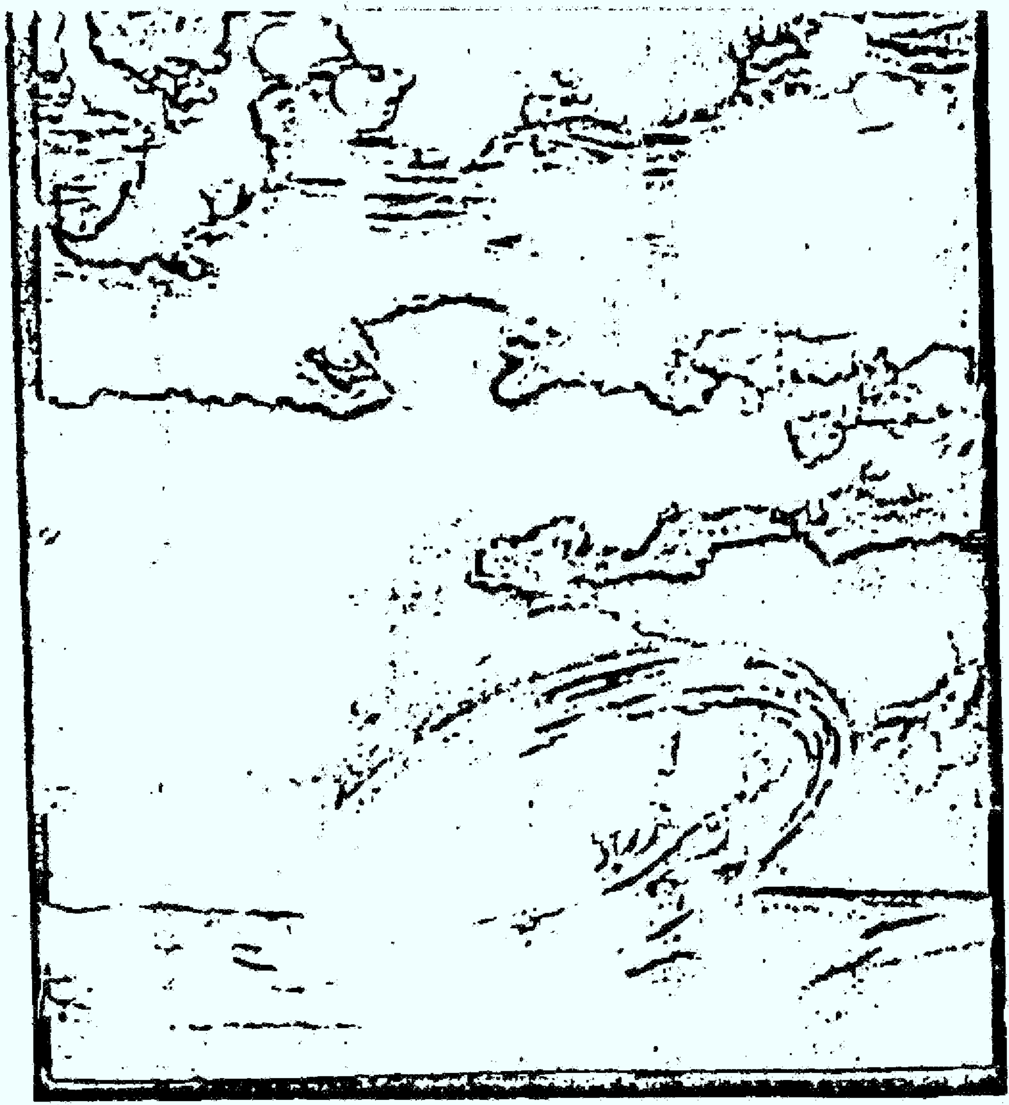

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Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI

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DATE: 1/30/67

FROM : Legat, Mexico City (105-5844) (RUC)

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1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Gale
1 - Liaison Section
1 - [redacted]
1 - [redacted]

January 18, 1967

Delivered by [illegible]

UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT
ALLEGEDLY SIGHTING, JANUARY 17, 1967

FLYING SAUCERS

AP

At 4:10 a.m., January 18, 1967, [redacted] advised that he desired to report that he had observed a large oblong-shaped object which alighted in the street in front of him when he was on his way home from his television repair shop, the [redacted], Chesapeake, Virginia. He believes that he was taken into this craft which he recalls as being made of a glass like substance and being transparent. It was manned by several individuals who appeared to be undersized creatures similar to members of the human race, probably not more than 4 feet tall. They were allegedly wearing regular trouser pants and T-Shirts. [redacted] believes that he was transported by this craft for an undetermined distance and returned to his point of take-off approximately one hour later.

[redacted] spoke in a coherent manner although he appeared to be under certain emotional strain. He claimed he had not been drinking any intoxicants but he was unable to account for the time between 8:00 p.m. and 4:00 a.m.. He stated he was telephoning from his workshop but had no recollect of being elsewhere between 8:00 p.m. and 4:00 a.m.

The above is being furnished for your information.

NOTE: [redacted] furnished information to night supervisor SA [redacted] Special Investigative Division. A check of Bureau indices did not disclose any information which could be identifi with [redacted]

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Flying Saucers

UPI-133

(FLYING SAUCER)

BOULDER, COLO.--DR. EDWARD CONDON, HEAD OF A GOVERNMENT-FINANCED SCIENTIFIC STUDY OF UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS (UFO), SAI TODAY HE HAD RECEIVED A LETTER TELLING HIM WHEN AND WHERE A FLYING SAUCER WOULD LAND ON EARTH.

CONDON, PROFESSOR OF PHYSICS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO, SAID HE WOULD WRITE TO THE MAN AND ASK HIM ON WHAT BASIS HE MADE THE PREDICTION.

"HE GAVE ME THE EXACT DATE AND THE EXACT LOCATION THE SAUCER WOULD LAND SAID IT WOULD BE MANNED BY PERSONS FROM ANOTHER PLANET," CONDON SAID.

"HE SUGGESTED WE CONTACT THE SPACE TRAVELERS AND MAKE FRIENDS WI THEM," THE UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO PROFESSOR SAID.

CONDON WOULD NOT DISCLOSE THE NAME OF THE PERSON WHO WROTE THE LETTER, SAY WHERE THE PREDICTED LANDING WOULD TAKE PLACE OR THE DAT HE DID SAY IT WOULD BE SOMETIME THIS SPRING.

"I'M GOING TO ANSWER THE LETTER TO TRY AND FIND OUT WHAT THE BAS IS FOR THE MAN'S PREDICTION," CONDON SAID.

CONDON ALSO DISCLOSED THAT DR. ROBERT M. LOW, DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE CU FLYING OBJECTS INVESTIGATION PROJECT, WAS IN THE JOPLIN, MO.-PITTSBURGH, KAN., AREA TODAY CHECKING OUT REPORTS OF UFO SIGHTINGS.

HE SAID LOW PROBABLY WOULD RETURN TO BOULDER TONIGHT.

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WASHINGTON CAPITAL NEWS SERVICE

December 27, 1966

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[redacted]
Bradford, Pennsylvania 16701

Dear [redacted]

I have received your letter of December 20th.

Although I would like to be of assistance, matters pertaining to Unidentified Flying Objects are not within the jurisdiction of the FBI.

Inasmuch as your communication is of interest to another governmental agency, I am referring a copy of it to the Director of Special Investigations, The Inspector General, Department of the Air Force, Washington, D. C. 20333.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

NOTE: Bufiles contain no record of correspondent. A copy of her letter was sent to the Department of the Air Force by form referral this date.

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(December 23, 1966)

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Bradford, Pa. 16701

Flying Saucers

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
4936 30th Place
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover,

I am doing my Science Fair project on U. F. O. s. Could you please send me any and all imformation you have on this subject? I would also appreciate any imformation you may have as to how many planes we have lost chasing U. F. O. s. Why has this imformation been kept a secret? Why is it important to national defense?

Also would you happen to know if any other sides ourself have spotted U. F. O. s in s?

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12 DEC 29 1966

Ack: 12-27-66

[redacted]
Bradford, Pa.
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Also would you happen to know of any other country besides ourself have spotted U.F.O.s in recent times?

[redacted]

Ack: 12-27-66
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December 21, 1966

[redacted]

REC-4 62-83894-454

SS-105 [redacted]
Princeton, West Virginia 24740

[redacted]

Your letter was received on December 19th.

Although I appreciate the motives prompting you to write me, unidentified flying objects do not come within the scope of this Bureau's authority. I am, however, referring a copy of your letter to the Director of Special Investigations, The Inspector General, Department of the Air Force, Washington, D. C., whose agency has conducted related studies.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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November [illegible], 1966

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Chief Federal Bureau Of
Investigation.

Flying Saucers

Dear Sir;

[redacted]

Sir I mention the above so that you will not think an idiot is writing.

You seemingly do not know or utterly disreguard the following subject. I had hoped that you might make a statement before now on this subject. I have waited many years to see your opinion in print, but nothing of the sort has happened.

I am speaking of the UFO's or unidentified flying objects before long and it is a matter of time you are going to be scooped so to speak on this subject. Sir I happen to know they exist .I have personally seen two of them. One of these sightings under low cloud cover in daylight. (I am not sure as to the cloud height). The other at prehaps two thousand feet altitude and appx.one mile off.

You may not be interested ? but I think this may be vital to the security of the United States and if it is vital I am sure that you are now familiar with and working on this problem.

If I am correct and these things do land I am greatly con--cerned as to what kind of reception they might receive from the inhabitance of this country. I am convinced after a great deal of thought that someone of your standing in this country should let the people know that is happening as reguards these things.

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PS. If this is out of your line
of duty I am sorry to bother you.

12 DEC 27 1966

Sincerely Yours

[redacted]

Ack
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November 30, 1966

AIRMAIL

REC-62 62-83894-4

[redacted]
London, S. W. 7, England

Dear [redacted]

I have received your letter of November 26th.

In response to your inquiry, the policy of this Bureau regarding the investigation of Unidentified Flying Objects has not changed since I wrote to you on January 26, 1965. Also, it is contrary to my long-standing policy to express an opinion on such matters.

Since my prior communication to you has been destroyed, I am enclosing another for your files and trust this will be of help to you in reconstructing your records.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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NOTE: Bufiles disclose one prior letter from correspondent and a reply made to him 1-26-65.

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26th November, 1966

Edgar J. Hoover,
Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D.C.

C flying saucers

Dear Sir,

About two years ago or so I wrote to you and asked you, to the best of my recollection, why agents of you Bureau investigated reported landings of unidentified flying objects and whether data regarding their findings was available. You replied saying that agents investigated these cases to determine whether any Federal law had been broken and that their findings were confidential as were all other FBI records.

Since receiving your letter which was placed in my records, many of my records including your letter were destroyed recently in a fire at my home and I would therefore be grateful if, for the purposes of my new records, confirm your letter of 1964/5 if the situation is still the same.

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In addition, I would be pleased to learn what your opinion is of the unidentified flying objects. If you decline, I would appreciate that it was due ~~to~~ your position.

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Yours sincerely,

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TO : Mr. Wick

DATE: 10-24-66

FROM : [redacted]

SUBJECT: [redacted] [redacted]

WASHINGTON, D. C.

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On October 21, 1966, captioned individual telephonically contacted the Bureau and spoke with SA [redacted] of the Crime Research Section.

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He advised that he is a free-lance writer and is working on a story for a TV production concerning unidentified flying objects. He stated that he has been in personal contact with a former Air Force officer who uses the alias of [redacted] concerning unidentified flying objects and that it is the TV producer's intention to use this individual in the forthcoming TV show. He advised that [redacted] is not the individual's true name and inquired as to whether the FBI could advise him of [redacted] real identity.

[redacted] was advised that the FBI could not be of any assistance to him and that all information in FBI files is confidential. He was also advised that the investigation of unidentified flying objects is not, and never has been, a matter within the investigative jurisdiction of the FBI.

Bufiles contain no information which can be identified with [redacted]

RECOMMENDATION:

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For record purposes.

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12 OCT 25 1966

[redacted]

1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Wick
1 - 62-83894 (Unidentified flying objects)

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 10/19/66

FROM : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (62-2927)

SUBJECT: UNIDENTIFIED FLYING DISCS OBJECTS
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Re Bureau Bulletins No. 57 dated 10/1/47, and No. 38 dated 3/25/49, entitled "FLYING DISCS."

Enclosed are copies of an article entitled "Armed Forces - Focus on UFO", which was published in the This World supplement of the San Francisco Examiner & Chronicle, Sunday, October 16, 1966.

This article deals with the current controversy over the existence or nonexistence of flying saucers or Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs), and quotes Michigan's Congressional Representative GERALD FORD as suggesting that Congress look into UFOs; also it announces that the Air Force, which is charged with investigating UFOs, has commissioned the University of Colorado and Physics Professor EDWARD U. CONDON to conduct an in-depth study of flying saucers for the next 18 months, at an estimated cost of $300,000.

University of Colorado

The article also points out that since last summer pressure has been mounting for the establishment of an independent, civilian controlled investigative agency to look into the UFO problem.

Also, for the Bureau's information, there was recently published (first printing June 1966) a book entitled "Flying Saucers - Serious Business", Lyle Stuart, Inc., publishers, authored by Frank Edwards. This book is now in its third edition and is available in paperback, published by Bantam Books, and it is probably a contributing factor to the current controversy.

In this book author Edwards points out that flying saucers were observed in the spring of 1946, in Scandinavia and Russia (which he points out is about a year from the date of the testing of the Alamogordo atomic bomb), and the book

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documents many reports throughout the world of UFOs since that date, and claims that 1965 was the year of the greatest number of UFO sightings and that these were observed by multiple witnesses. It is author Edwards' contention that UFOs are space vehicles sent to observe activities on earth and the Air Force, which is charged with the responsibility of investigating UFOs, has deliberately withheld information and given misleading explanations because it fears a mass panic by the public if the public were told the truth.

The book describes UFOs as polished metal objects, radiating heat and light (sufficient to have burned witnesses who were too near), and emitting some force field that interferes with electromagnetic instruments and power sources. Colors range from brilliant white to dull reds and brilliant orange. Some objects have carried blinking lights. There are three basic shapes: 1) zeppelin-shaped ships up to 300 feet long; 2) disk-shaped objects ranging from a few feet in diameter to 100 feet, with many reported at about 30 feet diameter; and 3) egg-shaped objects, which according to the author are the ones most recently sighted.

According to the book, the objects move silently and attain fantastic speeds, yet can hover motionless in mid-air; they have been reported to land and to take off with great speed, usually with a burst of light from the underside, which in some cases has left the ground beneath them scorched.

Many of the persons named in the book who have reported them are reliable individuals, including law enforcement officers, military personnel on official duty, military pilots, commercial airline pilots, civilian defense officials, etc. A number of photographs of the objects have been reproduced in the book, some reportedly taken by reputable persons. Many reported sightings are from atomic and missile research areas.

Wreckage of crashed saucers has been reportedly recovered on at least three occasions, in one case described as a magnesium alloy, in another as pure magnesium, and in a third case, attributed to an official of the Canadian government, the material was described as an exceptionally hard unknown metal, actually a matrix of magnesium orthosilicate which contained thousands of 15-micron metal spheres throughout, and showing evidence of micro-meteorites on its surface.

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A few witnesses have reported seeing crewmen who hand landed from the objects, who are described as three and a half to four feet tall, wearing what appear to be space suits and helmets.

Author Edwards concludes this book with a prediction that in the near future UFOs will make an "overt landing" or deliberate contact with earth.

A copy of this letter is being directed to Denver, in view of the contract awarded to Dr. EDWARD U. CONDON.

The above is being called to the Bureau's attention in view of the press report of mounting pressure for a civilian controlled investigative agency to handle UFO matters.

ARMED FORCES

Focus on UFO

Winking, blinking and nodding — red lights over Pasadena, blue lights over Greensboro, silver cigars over Detroit — people kept seeing strange flying objects, and officials kept saying nothing was out there.

But in recent years, and particularly since last summer, the pressure had been mounting for either a full-scale Congressional investigation or for the establishment of an independent, civilian-controlled investigatory agency.

It had been a big year for Unidentified Flying Objects. The sightings had come in bunches, the bulk of them last spring and summer. And the reports had come from all over.

"Like Neon Lamps"

Among the most intriguing items in this year's crop:

- At Milan, Michigan, 15 miles south of Ann Arbor, bluish-yellow bars of light were spotted, looking "like neon lamps dangling in the sky."
- In East Delhi, Mich., a 15-year-old boy called in to report seeing lights in the sky alternately standing still and moving, sometimes flashing on and off.
- In Altadena and San Marino, Calif., police switchboards logged dozens of calls after a pair of red lights in the sky were reported by residents.
- In Toledo, Ohio, officials at the local airport received seven calls from persons who said they saw a glowing object that was red, green and white.
- In suburban Detroit, a man saw a noiseless, wingless, cigar-shaped flying object.
- In Bryan, Texas, residents said they heard a star-like object purr.
- Over Valdese, N.C., a "glowing blue thing" exploded, then lit up the town like a giant flashbulb.

Sometimes the alleged sightings spilled over into the bizarre. A space ship full of little men allegedly landed in a farm yard near Hopkinsville, Kentucky. The little men glowed, and they were described as "three feet tall, with eyes like saucers and hands like claws."

A grain buyer in Nebraska said he was invited into a space ship where he chatted with four men and two women. They spoke only broken English — but fluent High German which, as it happened, was the grain buyer's native tongue.

Silvery Cigar

Nor did America have any corner on the UFO market. In Northern Ireland, Tom Hutchinson saw a saucer drop into a peat bog near his home in Moneymore. It was eggshaped, three feet in diameter, 18 inches high. It began to spin and Hutchinson grabbed it. He was carrying it to the police, who described him as "level-headed and God-fearing," when the thing twisted out of his hands and got away.

And in Warminster, England, a city council worker said he saw a silvery cigar shape drifting over the village downs. After a time, he said, it seemed to stretch. Then it seemed to divide amidships with a flash of orange light, although there was no noise.

Flaming Object

Not all the sightings could be easily written off as the phantasmagoria of kooks, cranks and drunks. And, unless one subscribed to a theory of mass hallucination, it was difficult to explain away simultaneous sightings confirmed by many rational witnesses — such as the flaming object that was seen last April by thousands of East Coast residents from Washington to Boston and even temporarily disrupted a ball game between the Chicago White Sox and the Washington Senators in Washington, D. C.

Or the incident in Hillsdale, Michigan last March, in which a Civil Defense Director, an assistant dean, and 87 coeds reported that they had seen a glowing object zip past their college dormitory and hover in a swamp for hours. Witnesses said they watched from the second floor of the Hillsdale College girls dormitory as the object wobbled, wavered, glowed eerily and once zipped right at a dormitory window before stopping suddenly.

A Meteor?

The Air Force, charged with investigating every one

UPI Telephoto

DR. CONDON
Saucer-watcher

This World, Sunday, October 16, 1966
S. F. Sunday Examiner & Chronicle

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of the 11,000 sightings since 1947, did have some explanations. The mysterious flaming object in the East was "probably a meteor."

As for Michigan's much-publicized and plentiful *unidentified flying objects*, they turned out to be monkeyshines instead of moonships: "Unidentified college boys" playing pranks with flares to frighten the girls in the dormitories, came the august report from a distinguished astronomer called in by the Air Force to investigate the Hillsdale affair.

Every report of a "flying saucer" had ostensibly been checked out by the Air Force's special squad known as "Project Blue Book," although the staff was woefully small. Of the 10,147 sightings since 1947, the Air Force insisted that only 646 remain unexplained — and most of these because of insufficient information. The others have been attributed to planes, balloons, astronomical causes, missiles, swamp gas, meteors, fireworks and, in some cases, to hallucinations and psychological reasons.

Ball Lightning?

Philip Klass, avionics editor of Aviation Week & Space Technology magazine, recently proposed some other explanations. Klass, an electronics engineer, said a form of "ball lightning," generated by high tension power lines, could explain the phenomena.

Many of the sightings, said Klass, occurred along or very near high-tension lines where luminous balls of ionized air could be generated under certain conditions.

'No Threat'

The main conclusions reached by the Air Force were:

- "No unidentified flying objects reported, investigated and evaluated by the Air Force have ever given any indication of a threat to our national security."
- "There has been no evidence submitted to or discovered by the Air Force that sightings represent technological developments or principles beyond the range of present day scientific knowledge."
- "There has been no evidence that sightings categorized as unidentified are extraterrestrial vehicles."

Major Donald Keyhoe, however, was unconvinced. Major Keyhoe, USMC (retired), director of the National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena (NICAP), a private space watching organization, accused the Air Force of conducting a long-term whitewash on the UFO question.

It was Keyhoe's theory that the Air Force was withholding information for fear of causing public panic. UFOs, insisted the Major, who had never seen one, were of extraterrestrial origin and the Air Force feared that the public could not accept this knowledge. "They won't give you details," he complained. "If they did, many of their explanations would fall flat."

And Keyhoe could also claim a powerful ally in Michigan's Gerald Ford, the House Republican leader, who suggested it would be "a very wholesome thing" for Congress to look into unidentified flying objects. Such an investigation, Ford suggested, would make the American people "feel better."

Study in Depth

Whether or not that was so, the Air Force last week took definite steps to make itself feel better. Fed up with investigating reports of glowing, flying, zooming, winking, awesome, blinking, streaking, hovering things, the Air Force last week decided to bail itself out of all responsibility for future conclusions concerning UFOs.

The Air Force announced that it had commissioned the University of Colorado to conduct an "in-depth" study of flying saucers for the next 18 months. The director of the study (expected to cost $300,000) would be Dr. Edward U. Condon, former director of the National Bureau of Standards, and now a physics professor at Colorado.

To satisfy the skeptics, and insure the study's objectivity, Colorado would select several other universities to take part in the independent investigation, with about 100 scientists participating.

And in case that wasn't enough, the National Academy of Sciences also agreed to appoint a panel to review the Colorado report.

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October 17, 1966

[redacted]
Atlanta, Georgia 30310

Dear [redacted]

Your letter of October 9th has been received.

With respect to your inquiry, matters pertaining to sightings of Unidentified Flying Objects or "Flying Saucers are not within the jurisdiction of the FBI.

Inasmuch as your communication is of interest to another governmental agency, I am referring a copy of it to the Director of Special Investigations, The Inspector General, Department of the Air Force, Washington, D. C. 20333.

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Sincerely yours,
J. Edgar Hoover

NOTE: We have had one outgoing to correspondent dated 3/10/66 in response to his letter regarding the TV program, "The FBI." A copy of his letter is being sent by form to the Department of the Air Force.

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Office of the Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States
Dept. of Justice
Washington,D.C.20535

Sir:

For the past twenty years the United States has been having an increase in the problem of the U.F.O. or "Flying Saucers" and nothing is being done about it,as it should be.

The Air Force has maintained that the sightings have been gas,light,weather,etc. but by talking to some of the people that have seen U.F.O.'s I'm wondering if the Air Force isn't lying.

I'm not the only one wondering this, for the people that I have talked to say that after the Michigan sightings and the others they would not report it to the Air Force if they did see a U.F.O..

Reports say that even F.B.I. Agents have seen U.F.O.'s and this has been denied by the Air Force.

The report recently about the police officer in Ohio or Penn. having serious family trouble as well as being ridiculed by people because of his sighting,along with a fellow police officer,of a U.F.O..

I see by this that the faith in our Air Force is beginning to decline and if this is so then we may be putting our selves in the terrible position,as did Nazi Germany in the 1930's.

I wish to know if [illegible] agents have seen any U.F.O's

Sincerely,

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI DATE: 10/3/66

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-24442-40/)

SUBJECT: FLYING SAUCERS INTERNATIONAL,
OFFICIAL JOURNAL OF THE
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The Philadelphia Division by letter dated 9/22/66, furnished the Los Angeles Division with Issue No. 24 dated July, 1966, entitled "FLYING SAUCERS INTERNATIONAL", which is the official journal of the Amalgamated Flying Saucer Clubs of America, Inc. The Philadelphia Division received the magazine from Mr. [redacted] Philadelphia, Pennsylvania on 9/19/66. Mr. [redacted] stated he subscribed to the magazine because his son had exhibited an interest in flying saucers and outer space. He said that on pages 2 and 3 of Issue No. 24 was an article which he believed expounded the Communist Party (CP) line.

For the information of the Bureau, the International Headquarters of the Amalgamated Flying Saucer Clubs of America, Inc. is located at 2004 North Hoover Street, Los Angeles, California. The article, on pages 2 and 3, were allegedly written by Master KALEN-LI RETAN, Head of the plant KORENDOR, which was received on 5/4/66 by special directional short-wave radio by BOB RENAUD.

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The indices of the Los Angeles Division contain no information identifiable with RENAUD, and no investigation has ever been conducted on captioned organization. ENCL. BEHIND FILE

No further action is contemplated in this matter by the Los Angeles Office, UACB.

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The foregoing is furnished to the Bureau for information.

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Mrs. [redacted] B. APPROX. 1903
Goffstown, New Hampshire 03045
FLORENCE C.

Dear Mrs. [redacted]

Your letter of August 31st, with enclosures, has been received and I appreciate the interest which prompted you to write.

In response to your inquiry, this Bureau is strictly an investigative agency of the Federal Government and, as such, neither makes evaluations nor draws conclusions as to the character or integrity of any organization, publication or individual. I am sorry I cannot be of assistance to you; however, you may be sure your communication will be made a matter of record.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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August 31, 1966

J. E. Hoover, F.B.I. Director
Wash. D. C.

Dear Sir:

I am a member of "Nicap" and am very much interested in U. F. O (Flying Saucers)

Several weeks ago a fellow employee received a letter (business) from Arizona with a stamp on the back (see enclosed)

Being interested in U. F. O's I asked for the stamp & sent $3.00 for the 12 issues of AFSCA.

Having received & read my first issue I feel it isn't just what it appears on the surface. I can't say just why, but with my limited idea of how communists operate it strikes me it is backed by them.

My reason for writing this is that I consider myself a true American, I am told my ancestors go back to a Gr Gr Gr Grandmother who was an Indian Squaw & I'm proud of it. If, by writing for this AFSCA Report, my name could in anyway be aligned with the communist party, I would like to know if there is any way I can get things straightened out.

I may be all wrong about my interpretation of this report but I'd like to be sure since I expect I will get the other issues as they come up.

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I will be 63 yrs old in a few days. My husband passed away 4-30-65 I have worked as [redacted] [redacted] in Manchester N. H 44 years this month

[redacted]
New Hampshire 03045

Very truly yours,
(Mrs) [redacted]

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SPECIAL AFSCA CONVENTION MESSAGE

BRIGHT WORLD IN HANDS OF SAUCER MOVEMENT

(Editor's Note: This special message was received from Master Kalen-Li Retan (head of the *planet Korendor, about 400 light years distant) on* May 4, 1966 via special directional short-wave radio by Bob Renaud, the young electronic-technician whose remarkable story we printed in issues #18, 19, 20, 21, [illegible], and which will be continued in our next issue. Since Bob's initial radio contact in 1961, he has talked with the crew of a spacecraft as he watched them on his special TV screen in his home — and eventually met his contacts in-person; visited their undersea and underground bases on our planet; was taken aboard many of their spaceships; and was actually allowed to pilot two of their small scout craft — one on a short solo flight.)

"Kalo (Hello), friends. We will get directly to the point of our message to you. Frankly, we are appalled at the state of Earth at present. Despite our constant warnings and even our actual intervention in some instances, the condition upon your planet grows steadily worse.

One subject on everyone's lips these days is Vietnam. From a little civil war, it has grown steadily and inexorably into a full scale conflict between the world's three major powers: the United States, the Soviet Union, and Communist China.

Many influential people have used the approach of patriotism and love of God and Country to twist decent human feelings into dangerous channels of thought and action. With their charges of treason and sympathy with the enemy, they have aroused a good portion of the populace to a state of fear, distrust, and hatred of those who seek peace and love. Unfortunately, because some unconventional individuals have been associated with the peace movement, that entire operation has been seriously hindered.

Your government is a military puppet, a mere parrot of the monstrosity that is the Military-Industrial complex. Your senators, except for a few, are robots, speaking what they are told to say.

Your President is, unfortunately, a pawn of their needs and demands. We have contacted him several times concerning the state of affairs, and he has said that he could do nothing to change them, for if he were to speak out against the Asian conflict, he would be removed. This is what happened to the late Mr. Kennedy who, in his great humanitarianism, was reluctant to sacrifice his ideals and his visions for the sake of the Military Industrial octopus. He paid the supreme penalty for his efforts in behalf of humanity.

Make no mistake. Your government is no White House or the Congress. IT IS IN THE F GON, AND IN THE HEADQUARTERS OF THE "DEFENSE"-ORIENTED INDUSTRIES. It is T not the President or the Congressmen, who ru United States. The facade government is mere allay undue alarm or suspicion of the people.

Examine another aspect of the Asian war, ECONOMIC side. Do you recall that, in the st reports just recently, the Dow-Jones average dropped sharply BECAUSE OF A RUMOR THAT NORTH VIETNAM HAD MADE A PEACE BID? the staggering implication of this news evade yo Stock prices suffering a heavy loss because of a rumor that peace might come to pass!

This thought is most distressing. Your ec relies so heavily upon war and destruction, that were to stop, THE UNITED STATES ECONOMY WOULD SUFFER A MASSIVE DEPRESSION! Y money system would collapse like a house of ca Millions would be unemployed, sick, hungry an homeless. Tremendous industrial complexes w close their doors.

The utterly appalling fact is this: WAR IS PROFITABLE. Highly so! Every major conflic been accompanied by a strong peak in your mon prosperity. Peace has usually been economical painful!

After World War 1, the nation coasted for upon the fat put on during the boom of the war y In 1929, the bottom fell out. After the Korean in the 1950's came another recession. What co after Vietnam? No one knows, and no one want find out. The war in Vietnam is bringing an unh of degree of affluence in the United States. Why a good thing by ending the war? The philosopy, essence, is this: It is economically expedient t military forces to Vietnam and elsewhere in As order to wage war, because in doing so, the Un States' economy is bolstered and maintained at level of prosperity; human life is secondary to preservation of economic well-being!

It is thus evident that, unless a drastic cha made in the structure of your economy, war wil never end because the Military-Industrial comp WON'T LET IT!

Many of you fear Communism. Where did fear come from, I ask you? From within yours NO! It was brainwashed into you by the Militar Industrial complex. Who controls all your news media? The government and the advertisers. then, is in a position to dictate what shall be pr

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The Military-Industrial comp , by opinion-control through the use of psycho-politics (ainwashing by controlled news management).

Consider this: In order to survive, a commercial medium, such as a newspaper or magazine, requires a vast amount of advertising revenue. The mere subscription fees will not cover the costs. Thus, they depend for their continued existence upon money paid by advertisers. Suppose, then, that the editor of a certain newspaper decides that he is opposed to the Vietnam policy, and says so in his paper. The advertisers simply say to the editor, "Either you toe the mark and print what we want, or we'll withdraw our advertising."

Such pressures are a fact of life. The newsmen are torn between their higher devotion to Truth, and also to the lower level of their physical needs. Rather than jeopardize their security and their futures they, of course, submit meekly to power. Their actions are fully understandable, and we do not hold them responsible.

We throw the blame directly on the Military-Industrial complex which, by its underhanded dealing, threats of force, and economic pressure and retaliation, has crushed the spirit of American journalism and turned it from a dynamic motivating force in American life into a weak-willed, subservient mouthpiece for the power-masters. We blame them for the death of journalistic freedom and individuality!

One more comment on this topic: May I say that a better economic system is already known to the leaders of the Flying Saucer Movement. It is the system known as Universal Economics. As we have said over and over before, it is the non-money economic system which MUST be applied on your planet before you can start to resolve most of your major problems and thus begin to establish a highly-advanced, non-destructive state of existance on Earth, such as we of more advanced planets have enjoyed for so long. INVESTIGATE THIS SYSTEM to evaluate it for its merit — then ACT to apply it! YOUR VERY SURVIVAL AS A CIVILIZATION MAY DEPEND UPON IT!

Perhaps this is an opportune time to clarify a few questions which have been asked about us.

Do we of Korendor work with the local planets in our operations? Yes, we do cooperate with them a great deal. However, our work on Earth is relatively independent of the local planets. We have many times overstepped what is considered to be the limit of interference upheld by Venus, Mars, and other planets. This has caused a good deal of debate between them and us. Each time we have pointed out that we of Korendor are basically pragmatic in nature. Although we do respect the laws of self-destiny, we feel also that where stepping in is required to prevent disaster, it is our right and our duty to do so.

We have interfered in such places as the United States, China, Russia, and on a large scale in Vietnam. This has caused no end of consternation in the local Tribunal of Planets. We are sympathetic to their viewpoint, but we do feel that their policy is limited in its capacity to achieve the desired goals. It is our opinion that one cannot stand on the sidelines and achieve any noticeable results.

As I have said before, we have infiltrated your planet. We are directly involved in Earth's life. You might say that you have been invaded — a strong way of phrasing it, to be sure, but nonetheless factual, since we walk and work amongst you daily!

We have been asked about our physical appearance. We are humanoid, indistinguishable from yourselves, except that in our natural form we average three to four feet in height. Every other dimension is proportionately scaled, so that

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Our most common skin color is a littl
than yours, although we have skin colors
as yours do all over the Earth. Usually,
we would look "tan" to you. We are NOT
or heliotrope, as has been suggested!

Concerning our language, we generall
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On Korendor itself we speak the native lan
Korendian. It is similar in many ways to
languages since it, like yours, was origina
from Galingua, one of the two universal to
The other is Solex Mal, which is more fam
you, since it is used by your local Solar Sy
planets. It is seldom heard now in our sec
space, as Galingua has replaced it almost

Unlike your own, however, the Korend
Galinguan speech is very rhythmic, and ha
sibilant sounds, such as "s" or "z". Some
sharper sounds like "c" and "k" are minim
a beautiful language which is very musical
pleasant to hear.

Perhaps you would be surprised to lea
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In concluding my message to you, may
people of Earth: open up your minds and y
to the world around you. There is so much
learned, so much to be discovered. Don't
precious hours and days in bigotry and ign
and in senseless fighting and killing. To d
truly a crime against nature and humanity.

At this stage where you have the very
almost in your grasp, how irrational and b
is to spend futile hours warring with your
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and mistrust. If left to their own devices,
majority of mankind will forge onward to a
destruction and annihilation, oblivious to th
in their actions. They are short-sighted;
little for the future.

It is you New Age people, dedicated to
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strays. We are behind you all the way. As
said many times before, we will take two st
every one that you take to help yourselves.

The time has come for nations to "bury
hatchet", to clasp hands, and plunge into th
together — in co-operation toward mutual g

Look to the heavens and realize that yo
is not in bleak atomic desolation, but in the
cent greatness that you can achieve if you w
work for it. Choose the right path and you
qualify to join with us in our journeys amon

10AM to 10:50	INVOCATION: Dr. Frank E. Stranges. Keynote Address: GABRIEL GREEN, "Something Big Is Happening". Introduction of speakers, & saucer movement personalities.		HAL WILCOX "From Earth to Alpha Centauri" Ch: Chief Standing Horse	AFSCA Unit Directors Meeting. Those interested in forming AFSCA Units invited.		Flying Saucer Council Meeting (for all speakers only). Ch: Gabe Green. Discussion of ways to improve effectiveness of Flying Saucer Movement. Come prepared with suggestions.
11:00 to 11:50	WAYNE AHO "Secrecy Must Go--- People Must Know!" Ch: Orfeo Angelucci	•	HANNO MAYBERRY "Message From Triangulum" Ch: Laura Mundo	DR. Frank STRANGES "The Hollow Earth Mystery" Ch: Orfeo Angelucci		
11:50AM to 1:30PM	LUNCH	Space Tapes(12:15-1:)	LUNCH	Space Tapes(12:15-1:15)	LUNCH	Space Tapes(12:15-1:15)
1:30 to 2:20	Chief Standing Horse "My 4 Day Trip to Mars, Venus, Clarion, & Orion" Ch: Mel Noel		CARL ANDERSON "I Was Teleported Into A Flying Saucer" Ch: Mel Noel	MICHAEL BARTON "UFO's and World Prophesy" Ch: G. Green	CARL ANDERSON "Kumar, Wonder Man From Mars" Ch: Frank Stranges	
2:30 to 3:20	HOPE TROXELL "Evolved Man of the Stars" Ch: Michael Barton		CALVIN GIRVIN "I Was an Agent for the Extraterrestrials" Ch: Wes Bateman	DR. GEORGE KING "The Nine Freedoms" Ch: Wayne Aho	GEORGE Van TASSEL "Flying Saucer Landing at Edwards Air Force Base" Ch: D. Fry	SIDNEY PADRICK "Saucer Ride-1965" Ch: Wes Bateman
3:30	MOLLIE THOMPSON (Space Age Songs)		MOLLIE THOMPSON (Space Age Songs)		MOLLIE THOMPSON (Space Age Songs)	
3:40 to 4:30	HOWARD MENGER "Journey to the Moon" Chairman: Hal Wilcox	HANNO MAYBERRY "Contact With a 7 Foot Tall Spaceman" Ch: Ch. Standing Horse	DR. DANIEL W. FRY "The White Sands Incident" Ch: George Van Tassel	WESLEY BATEMAN "The Frequency Barrier" Ch: Marianne Francis	DR. GEORGE KING "Physical Space Contact in Hollywood" Ch: Michael Barton	CALVIN GIRVIN "Moon Mysteries Revealed" Ch: G. Green
4:40 to 5:30	DR. FRANK STRANGES "A Space Beings Visit to the Pentagon" Chairman: Dan Fry	MARIANNE FRANCIS "Starcraft Contact" Ch: Hanno Mayberry	GABRIEL GREEN "Abundant New World: The Promise for Tomorrow" Ch: F. Stranges	ORFEO ANGELUCCI "Secret of the Saucers" Ch: Hanno Mayberry	WAYNE AHO "Flying Saucers and the Latter Days" Ch: Carl Anderson	MARIANNE FRANCIS "Messages From Our Space Brothers" Ch: Calvin Girvin
5:30 to 7:00PM	DINNER	Space Tapes(6:15-7:15)	DINNER	Space Tapes(6:15-7:15)	DINNER	Space Tapes(6:15-7:15)
7:00 to 7:50	WESLEY BATEMAN "Flying Saucer Propulsion" (Slides) Ch: Sid Padrick	LAURA MUNDO "A Saucer Researchers Responsibility to Humanity" Ch: H. Menger	SIDNEY PADRICK "2 Hours Aboard an Extraterrestrial Spaceship" Ch: H. Menger	HOPE TROXELL "Temples of the High Places" Ch: Carl Anderson	HOWARD MENGER "Free Energy: Tomorrow's Revolutionary Power" Ch: Geo. King	HAL WILCOX "Zemkla, Interplanetary Avatar" Ch: Laura Mundo
8:00	MOLLIE THOMPSON (Space Age Songs)		MOLLIE THOMPSON (Space Age Songs)		MOLLIE THOMPSON (Space Age Songs)	
8:10 to 9:00	MEL NOEL "Investigating Flying Saucers inside the U.S. Air Force" Ch: G. Green	MICHAEL BARTON "Flying Saucer Slide Photos" Chairman: Hal Wilcox	GEORGE Van TASSEL "Spaceship Contact at Giant Rock" Ch: George King	Chief Standing Horse "Christmas 1962 on Jupiter" Ch: Calvin Girvin	DAN FRY "Saucer Movies" GABE GREEN "Saucer Slides"	MEL NOEL "I Photographed Flying Saucers as an Air Force Fighter Pilot" Ch: H. Troxell
9:10 to 10:00	DR. DANIEL W. FRY "The Curve of Development" Chairman: Sid Padrick	ORFEO ANGELUCCI "Concret Evidence" Ch: Wayne Aho	COLOR MOVIE: "We Have Seen The Saucers" Ch: George Van Tassel	LAURA MUNDO "Flying Saucers and the Father's Plan" Ch: Marianne Francis	Question Period: Written questions answered by Main Hall speakers. Chairman: Gabe Green	Written Questions answered by today's Gold Room speakers. Chairman: Mel Noel
10:10 to 11:00	Question Period. Written questions answered by Main Hall speakers. Ch: Gabriel Green	Written questions answered by today's Gold Room speakers. Ch: Michael Barton	Question Period: Written questions answered by Main Hall speakers. Chairman: Gabe Green	Written questions answered by today's Gold Room speakers. Ch: Frank Stranges	Convention Close.	

The appearance of the speakers on our program does not constitute an endorsement by AFSCA of their information or viewpoints. In the American tradition of freedom of information and ideas, AFSCA provides you with an opportunity to hear and to evaluate Flying Saucer Movement speakers and their information. You be the judge. Taped space songs by Bob Marcus.

No smoking permitted in lecture and exhibit halls. The Dick Miller Space Tapes played at lunch and dinner hours are all different. Program subject to change without notice.

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Dimensions (M.I.N.D.); 4916 Franklin Ave.;
Hollywood, Calif. 90027. Phone: 661-1731.
Publish: "Prism" (12 issues-$3.00).
6. **MARIANNE FRANCIS;** Solar Light Center;
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7. **DR. DANIEL W. FRY;** Understanding, Inc.;
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8. **CALVIN C. GIRVIN;**
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10. **DR. GEORGE KING;** The Aetherius Society;
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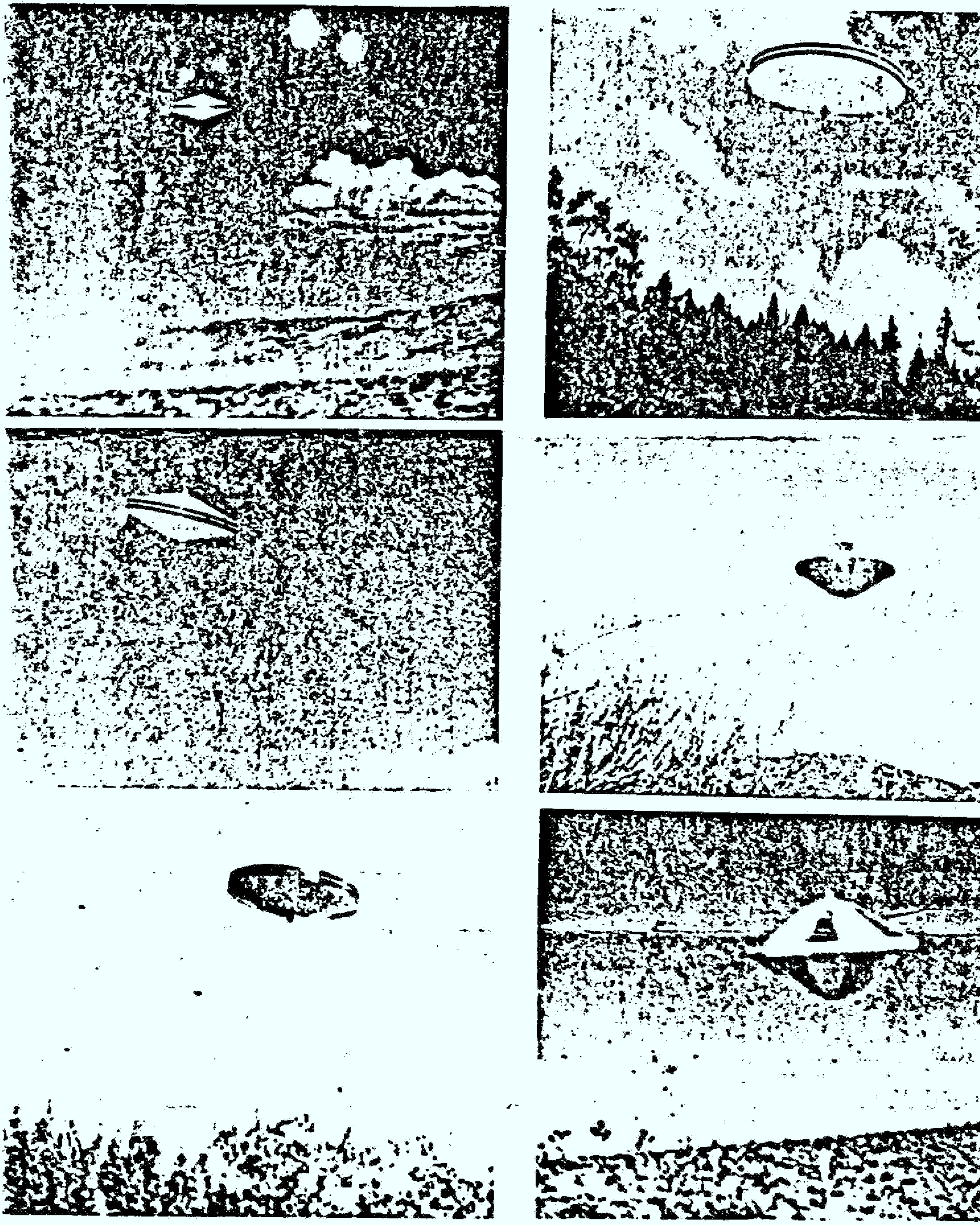
SPACE AGE SONGS by Mollie Thompson

THE COCKEYED BALLAD

There's a cockeyed feeling in the world today
That power politics is here to stay.
But China, Russia and the U.S.A.
Boy—don't let them fool you!
    Take a look at this world of ours,
    Just one mud ball in the sea of stars.
    Other planets have no color-bars,
    'Cause they've got perspective.
Yanks and Ruskies put men into space,
But it's all a mad politician's race,
One-up-manship in this Year of Grace.
t makes you giggle.
    The population stands and stares,
    While men in capsules explore upstairs.
    Why we can't even manage our own affairs!
    ~~Some cheek~~—colonization!
Besides, they've got people on Venus and Mars.
They got lads and lasses and ma's and pa's.
And they've got better transport than four-wheel cars.
ave you ever seen 'em?
    Those Flying Saucers whisking through our skies
    Must take some power to make them rise.
    But government departments just hide their eyes,
    And call them meteors!
With all the lies that they print and shout,
The general public's got its work cut out—
iguring what it's all about.
ut just you keep on trying.
    I suppose you know why I'm telling you this,
    So you won't shriek or shake your fist
    When you discover Martians do exist!
    They're real nice fellows.
know, 'cause I met one a week ago!
is ship came down for an hour or so.
e talked to me, but then he had to go.
eal interested I was!
    Got brothers on Venus and Saturn, it seems—
    Fly their ships on magnetic beams.
    They wear one piece suits—you can't see any seams;

SPACE-TALK

The powers that be will tell us we're alone.
They'll tell us that in space we are unique;
On this little desert island we call Earth
The human race is just a kind of freak.
When we send our envoys into space
There'll be a smile upon this planet's face,
'Cause brother, right out there—I'm telling y
There's another human race; it's very true!
    They're a very, very peaceful crowd,
    For they just never go to war.
    And they cannot interfere,
    This is by Universal Law.
    The spaceman's message to us all
    Is based on how to banish fear,
    And if we only understand,
    We will find it heaven here.
While we must rely on war,
We never will be happy here.
While this world's economy
Is based on hardship, strife and fear.
How do they live without a war
In their lands of milk and honey?
They don't need economy,
Because they don't use any money!
    They cannot give us any ships,
    So we must try and build our own.
    But they are waiting right out there,
    Oh, my friends, we're not alone!
    How do they go at such great speed,
    And vanish then without prediction?
    Because they use free energy,
    And there isn't any friction.
Brother have you seen their ships?
Sisters have you seen them glow,
As they dance and hover in the sky,
And make our fastest jets look slow?



NEW SAUCER PHOTOS: These remarkable photos of Flying Saucers were taken by Dr. Daniel W. Fry, President of Understanding, Inc., of P.O. Box 76, Merlin, Oregon 97532. Your editor enlarged them from the original 16mm color movie film. Spots on the photos are due to the extreme enlargement of scratches and dust spots on the film. Of special interest is the fact that the same type of craft was photographed near Merlin, Oregon in a wooded section, and again near Joshua Tree, Calif. on the deser ndicap—Results **Oakland Tribune** METRO PM

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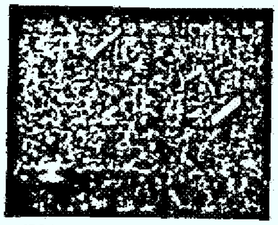

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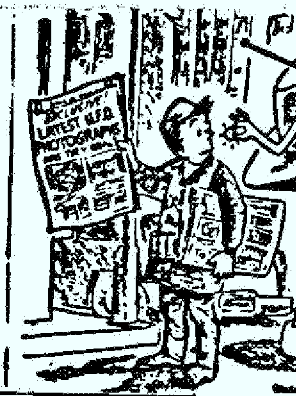
Time exposure taken by Michigan deputy sheriff



LATEST U.F.O. PHOTOGRAPHS

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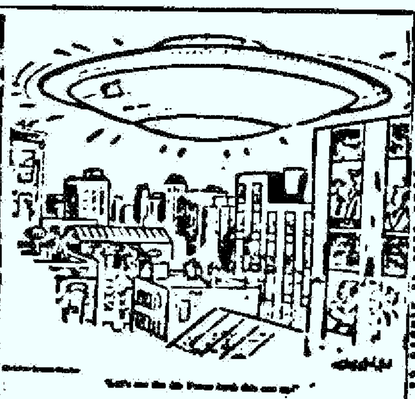

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AIRLINER DETOURS TO CHASE U.F.O.

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Portland Oregon Journal
March 21, 1966

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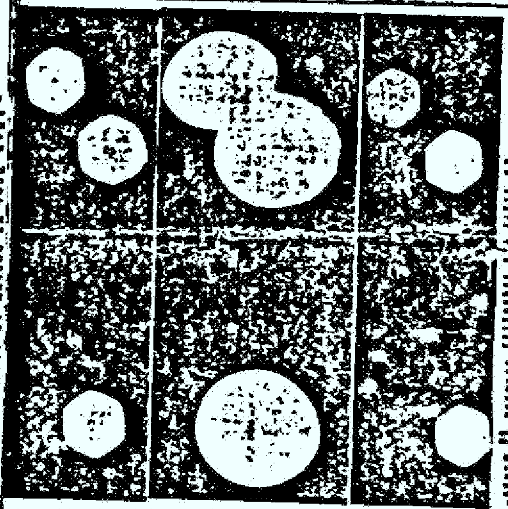

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Hong Kong Standard, May 14, 1966

'Flying saucer' pics on show

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Bridgeton Evening News. 3-31-66

Another 'UFO' Is Sighted By Woman At Elmer

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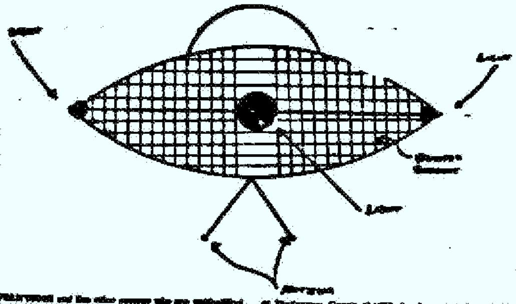

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Toronto, Canada Telegram, March 28, 1966

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Auburn Police Get Another Report on UFO

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FIRST UFO SPOTTER

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BREWER Welcomes UFOs
LANDING SITES AVAILABLE
Signed... Barry Ivers MAYOR

5-6-66

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Martians Are Watching Us

Who's in All Those Saucers?

By Harold Scarlett

"Parking between my ball and the green—I'd hardly call THAT intelligent life from another planet."

GABRIEL GREEN
Head Saucerer

Was Jesus Christ a Martian?

"It's hard to say," said Gabriel Green thoughtfully. Then he added that it certainly seems plausible.

It's no trick at all to walk on water or ascend to the heavens if you have a Martian levitation belt around your waist and an anti-gravity beam to ride, Green explained.

Furthermore, he said, the Martians now visiting earth on flying saucers are trying to save the earth's people from their own follies — just as the Savior was.

Green can speak with some authority on these matters because, he says, he met and talked with a Martian once. Also a four-foot man from the Alpha Centauri star system. Also some other unearthly visitors.

SOMETIMES, HE said, he met these flying saucer crewmen by telepathic appointments. These were arranged through associates of his with telepathic talents.

"And once in a while," he said, "they would just call on the phone."

Green, who lives in Los Angeles, is the head saucerer — the president — of the Amalgamated Flying Saucer Clubs of America.

Not being too telepathic, we just called Green on the phone to interview him about the recent rash of flying saucer sightings around the country.

"It is a continuation of their efforts to enlighten us," Green replied in calm and cultured tones.

"The current series of sightings and landings, I understand, will increase. They are not going to go away, as some members of our government would like."

WHY DO THEY keep buzzing down here and scaring people?

"What with nuclear proliferation growing, it seems rather obvious that unless we start resolving the present problems facing mankind, we will destroy ourselves and perhaps some of the universe along with us," Green explained.

"This is one of the primary reasons why the extra-terrestrials started making visitations in 1947, shortly after we developed this ability — to watch over us and if possible to impart their advanced scientific, technological and sociological knowledge to help us resolve these problems before we destroy ourselves."

Green said he is trying to do his humble best to help them spread that message.

"The solutions they have given," he said, "deal primarily with resolving the motives for wars, unemployment and poverty. They hope to eliminate the have-not nations . . . through superior financing. They have an advanced economic system they call Universal Economics. The economics part of it is what I personally am trying to transmit."

HE SAID RUEFULLY, however, that the saucer clubs themselves are in an economic pinch that has prevented needed research.

Green said he runs the saucer clubs out of his own home, at 2004 North Hoover in Los Angeles, "to cut down on the overhead." He said there are clubs in 30 major U.S. cities and abroad, with a total of about 3,500 members. Houston has no club, he said, but he does have some interested Houstonians on his mailing list.

"We are a contact-oriented research group," he said, "meaning that many of our members have made actual physical contact with crews of these craft."

Green said he has sighted 85 to 100 spacecraft around Los Angeles over the years and has met "half a dozen or so members of the crews."

BUT GREEN BELITTLED his own experiences.

"They're so insignificant it's hardly worth talking about them," he said. "Some of our members have actually been taken for rides in spacecraft.

"I certainly wouldn't turn down a ride if it were offered me. But they've never asked me."

Green said he met the Martian by appointment at a friend's home, and he looked "just like anybody you'd meet on the street." He was casually dressed, Green said, and wore a short-sleeve, shimmery, metallic-looking shirt which he said would stop bullets.

All in all, a handsome chap, Green said.

"I felt his hair and it was quite coarse and came to a V-shape down toward the center of the forehead," Green said. "But I rather doubt all Martians wear their hair alike, any more than we do.

"HE SAID THE MARTIAN canals were really canals for distributing the short water supply from their polar regions, and that the two Martian moons are really artificial satellites just like the Russian astronomers have ~~suspected~~."

Green said he had met the Alpha Centauri man several times — once in the Green home.

"He was dressed ordinarily and was about four feet tall, although this was unusual. Most of the reports of them are that they are normal height or larger," Green said.

"There was that space ship that landed near Albuquerque, for instance, with a crew of four men and five women. They were very beautiful, very well proportioned. Seven to nine feet tall."

Green said he had met other interstellar travelers but would "rather not go into the whole list."

Where did they park their space ships while they were visiting him?

"OH, SOMETIMES they actually park them — hang them up in the sky with a force field around them. Then they have an anti-gravity beam and levitation belts they wear around the waist to get on down to earth.

"Through these, they can accomplish such miracles as walking on water and ascending into the heavens."

Green said he is 41 and was a photographer with the Los Angeles Board of Education until he resigned in 1959 to try to help the spacemen save civilization.

Green said naturally he asked to take the spacemen's picture, but they refused and he abided by their wishes.

"An associate of mine once tried to sneak a couple of flash pictures," he said, "but two times the flash gun wouldn't fire, even though the camera was in perfect working condition.

"THAT DEMONSTRATES the powers of the mind of these people. Just like Uncle Martin on 'My Favorite Martian.'"

Green said he had never seen any of the unearthlings board his space ship. Then how could he be sure they weren't a hoax — practical - joking earthlings just putting him on?

"Oh, I wouldn't believe just anyone who walked up to me and said he was from Mars," Green replied.

"But if you got a call from the White House and were told President Eisenhower would meet you at a certain time on the corner of Hollywood and Vine, and you went there, and a man there who looked like the President called you by name, wouldn't you believe he was Eisenhower?"

Green said he once asked a spaceling to prove himself by disappearing.

"BUT HE REFUSED and told me to walk away," Green said. "He was on a balcony five floors high, and I walked down a hallway for three or four seconds and turned and looked back and he was gone. There was no logical place for him to go from that balcony."

Green believes the spacemen are undoubtedly friendly, just as they profess to be, or otherwise they could have destroyed the earth long ago.

"They say they want nothing from us but our friendship," he said. "They would never destroy us. That would be a violation of their code of life. They revere all living things."

Apparently they do have logues, though.

"There was one division that if any nation on earth fires a nuclear warhead, it will fall back on the people who fired it," Green said. "I don't know what their latest decision has been."

HE EXPLAINED that he hasn't been in contact with a spaceman for two or three years now.

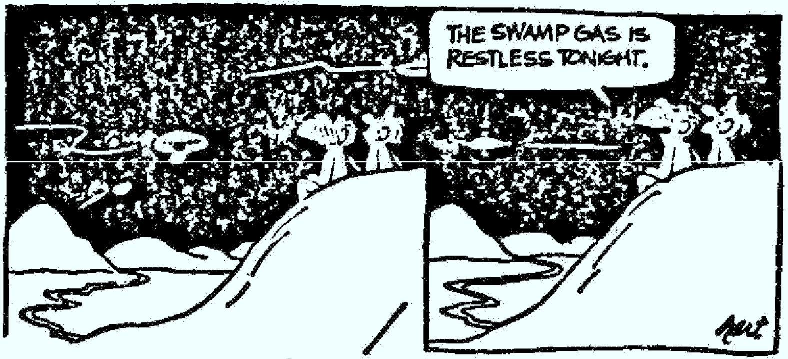
Green said people from many planets are visiting earth, and that accounts for the wide variety of flying saucers being sighted.

One of his favorites is the Venusian scout ship. That's the one about 35 feet in diameter with the three protruding semi-spheres on the bottom and the portholes around the cabin.

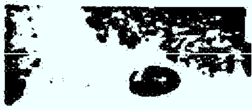
Green said it is operational only within 5,000 to 10,000 miles of a planet's surface. He said it comes down from a cigar-shaped mother ship that parks up there. The mother ship can make interplanetary trips.

At this point we decided to end the interview. The long-distance line to Los Angeles had begun making an eerie whirrr and then an ominous bleep-bleep-bleep.

Maybe the Martians were listening in.


THE SWAMP GAS IS RESTLESS TONIGHT.
hart
From B. C., the Post, May 9, 1966

SAUCER OR STRAW HAT. THIS FLEW IN CALIFORNIA LAST AUGUST
Highway Patrolman Rex Heflin Photographed It Through His Car Windshield



UFO Plays Tag With Deputies in 85-Mile Chase

RAVENNA, O., April 17 (UPI)—Two Portage county sheriff's deputies followed a "bright circular" unidentified object Sunday from Atwater, O., to Freedom, Pa., a distance of 85 miles.

Deputies Dale Spaur and W. L. Neff were investigating a routine traffic accident at 5 A.M. when they were alerted by radio to be on the lookout for an object heading their way.

Spaur, an Air Force gunner during the Korean War, said the circular object "about 25 to 40 feet in diameter traveled at speeds from 80 to 100 miles an hour."

"It was about 1000 feet in the air and was extremely bright," Spaur radioed to the Portage county sheriff's headquarters here.

"I had never seen anything this bright before in my life," he told Deputy Robert Wilson via the radio.

In Benton Harbor, Mich., a flying object described as so bright "you couldn't look straight at it" was sighted early Sunday near the downtown section of the city.

Three [illegible] officers said they saw the object hover over a [illegible] along the St. Joseph River. The head of the crew, Joseph Franklin, said it was about 25 stories in the air, had a steel-like shell and looked "something like a hot dog" in shape. He said it had a brilliant light so bright he couldn't look directly at it.

Franklin and his crew reported the sighting to police who also viewed the object.

The two deputies were joined in the chase at East Palestine, O., just across the State line from Pennsylvania, by East Palestine Patrolman Wayne Huston.

Huston said the object appeared larger than an airliner and it traveled in a straight line. He said it would change altitude suddenly.

"It was a funny thing," Huston said, "but when the object got too far ahead of us it appeared to stop and wait."

Wilson said at one time Spaur reported the object, which had something like an antenna protruding from the bottom, hover[illegible] above the cruiser in which Spaur and Neff were riding.

Wilson said that Spaur and Neff were questioned by an "Air Force colonel" in Freedom.

(Air Force headquarters at Greater Pittsburgh Airport said it had no report on the UFO.)

"The chase lasted about 90 minutes and in that time, the object was reported seen by at least six or seven other departments, both in Ohio and Pennsylvania," Wilson said.

Neff, a one-time [illegible], agreed with Spaur in the description of the object and said that it "had no wings."

Wilson said the object "was caught by radar" in Pittsburgh. He said that at least seven jets from the Cleveland-area headed for the object after it was reported.

(The control tower at Greater Pittsburgh Airport said it spotted no UFOs on the radar screens.)

Mysterious Sky Objects Have Texans in Dither

[illegible], Tex., May 11 (AP) — Rural residents told of seeing a cigar-shaped object drop from the sky yesterday, and two men said it caught fire and burned without apparent smoke.

Still another farmer in the same vicinity reported he heard an explosion, watched a four-foot strip of what appeared to be tin and aluminum [illegible] about 3½ miles distant at 10 p.m.

David Duncan, 21, with the radio station KTRM in Beaumont, related these details.

Mrs. Ernest Lee Wheeler [illegible] 3 miles southwest of [illegible] spotted something

Duncan and several friends tried to pursue the object, "cigar-shaped and silver looking," in a car and it appeared to hold over the Salisbury community 4 miles south of Hemphill, as they drew near.

J. W. Bailey, a farmer in the [illegible] community 10 miles west of here, and three other men told of watching [illegible] "about 10 feet long, 4 to 5 feet wide and shaped like a cigar" glowing to earth.

It bore no markings, they said, and "appeared to [illegible]

"It was big enough to carry a man, and I got the feeling that it did," Bailey remarked.

Bailey and one of his companions went to notify authorities, leaving two others on guard. The strange [illegible]

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Eerie 1896 Sighting

By JIM HAZELWOOD

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Binghamton, N. Y., October 24, [illegible]

THE SUNDAY PRESS

ENCOUNTER WITH A SPACE SHIP

'I Know What I Saw'; Egg-Shaped Craft

By KEITH GEORGE

GARY WILCOX

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day, May 8, 1966

★ GALLUP POLL

han 5 Million People ey Saw Flying Saucers

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Real or Imaginary?

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Life on Other Planets?

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THE SHEBOYGAN PRESS, Monday, April 18, 1966

Sheriff Aides Chase A UFO; Were 'Close'

RAVENNA, Ohio (AP)—[illegible]

The Ventura County (Calif.) Star-Free Press
4-1-66

Two in County Claim They Saw 'Glowing' UFO

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MINNEAPOLIS TRIBUNE

York Times Service

OS ANGELES, Calif. — "urgent problem" of roving communications the thousands of visitors n outer space who sup-dly are circling the earth afforded solemn delib-on here this weekend at ecial convention of fly-saucer buffs.

mong the nearly 300 dele-s was a self-professed erplanetary traveler" ed Standing Horse, an ishwoman who regularly es mimeographed reports her conversations with e travelers, a man who red to book "group ings" of flying saucers a presidential candidate paigning on the flying er ticket.

HE SPACE buffs, who mbled in a cavernous es-shment called the Blar-Castle, weren't much im-sed with Thursday's So-moon landing, but they e awed and confused by t they reported to be a p increase in flying ers.

ne delegate, Marianne cis, warned that the tings could mark the be-ing of some "ominous ges" for the earth's pop-ion. But the convention irman, Dr. Frank nges, said the "interplan-y visitors" would turn to be "angelic creatures e mission is to help kind."

e delegates were gen-y well groomed, articu-men and women who d have blended into any meeting. Many were s of organizations whose ibers spotted and photo-hed "unidentified flying cts" and claimed to main-telepathic communica-with space travelers.

EARLY ALL agreed that t they called the "flying er movement" was un-oing sharp expansion. delegates announced were negotiating to pur-e radio stations to help ult their theories. Sev-flying saucer magazines hundreds of books were sale at the convention.

"These people are contac-oriented," explained Gab-Green, a serious young who served as president the Amalgamated Flying er Clubs of America. "They accept spacecraft as a fact of life. Their interest is in contacting spacemen directly or through telepathy."

Green, who regularly runs for president as a "space age candidate," says he cannot practice telepathy but insists he has met spacemen on at least six occasions. The last of his visitors, he said, was four feet tall and came from the Alpha Centauri solar system.

A muscular, even-featured young man named Wesley Bateman said he never had met spacemen but that he was in "constant communication with them through telepathy" and offered a program of instruction to other delegates who sought similar contacts. His blonde wife, Jonell, attired in black Leotards, was kept busy signing up "students."

"There is no mystery as to whether the space men are watching us — some have already infiltrated our society," said Bateman. "The mystery is why so many are coming. What's going to happen?"

REPORT SIGHTING OF 'SAUCER'

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa — South African police and scientists investigated Thursday a report that a flying saucer-type object had landed on a main highway near Pretoria, the country's administrative capital.

Two patrolling police officers reported seeing the flaming "saucer," about 30 feet in diameter, shortly after midnight. One of them, Koos de Klerk, said that the shiny copper-colored object resembled a giant spinning top.

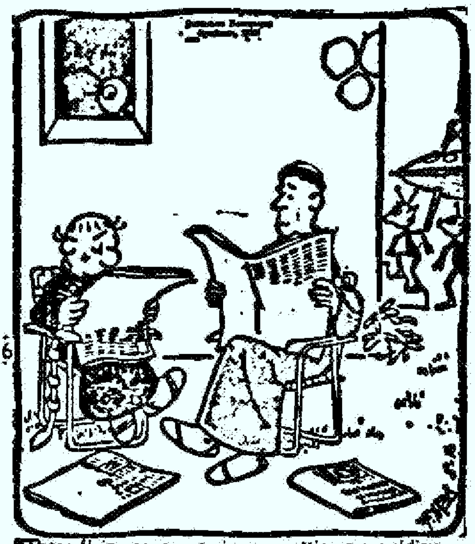
The two men claimed th they approached the obj took off silently at great speed with flames shooting out of its underside.

Scientists who examined the spot where the officers said that they saw the object are reported to have found that a six-foot wide section of the tarred road had been badly burned. Grass on either side of the highway also was reported slightly scorched.

(Associated Press)

THE BOSTON HERALD, FRIDAY, SEPT. 17, 1965

BROTHER JUNIPER BY FR. JUSTIN McCARTHY & LEN REINO



"These flying saucer stories are getting more ridiculous every day."

Flying Saucers

2-3-66

(To the Editor, S.C.M. Post)

Sir,—Citizens beware! This is not a drill! If you report what you see, your report will be treated as hallucination. Your honest desire to help solve an aeronautical mystery will be discounted by harassing confrontation by paid investigators who are instructed to suppress the authenticity of their investigation.

The UFO Project research has been operative continuously for more than 20 years. The scope and extent of this project is a carefully guarded subject. During that time it has maintained a continuous status of "Classified Information." The only information released by the U.S. Air Force for publication is periodic reports of a few selected cases of mistaken identity—such as the report to this newspaper on February 1, by Dr Allan Hynek: "In Search Of Flying Saucers."

Honest, sincere observers no longer report UFO sightings to accepted authority. (Why continue to slap your own face?) For several years actual sightings of spaceships are compiled at Flying Saucer Clubs all over the world. Amalgamated Flying Saucer Clubs of America (AFSCA) maintain a comprehensive information department that registers Club activities, and reports from all over the world. Anyone can write to AFSCA, 2004 N Hoover Street, Los Angeles, California 90027, U.S.A., and receive a concise, conscientious report about any information he is seeking.

We don't need to search for Flying Saucers—we only need to acknowledge their presence. Actually we are on one of the strangest UFO's in the universe. Our "Friends" who are now investigating us cannot understand our belligerent attitude toward their conscientious effort to contact us.

Neither can I.

-ing Object -ghted in Illinois

ORMAL, Ill.—UPI—Sev-persons living on the e block here said they an unidentified flying ct last night.

The object had four blink-lights, red, white, blue green, proceeded north-erly, hovered over a ve of trees, then returned hwesterly. The object seen first by the Merle pson family, then others. y said it was flat and ll.

UFO spotted

5-16-66

PASADENA (AP)—Scores of startled residents called newspapers and police after sighting what they described as blinking, moving lights in the skies over the San Gabriel Valley last night.

Officers said some residents saw the lights "travel fast, then slow, then stop." They said one Pasadena area resident reported the smell of perfume as the lights appeared and moved.

Pc REPORTS 'I SAW 6 FLYING SAUCERS...'

DAILY EXPRESS
Tuesday, May 17, 1966

POLICE CONSTABLE Donald Cameron made out a report last night and hoped the Chief Constable would believe that he really DID see six flying saucers.

Pc Cameron was at home on sick leave when he looked out a window and saw six glowing objects hovering in the distance.

"I thought I was seeing things and called my wife," he said last night. "We watched them for about 30 seconds before they disappeared at speed towards Manchester.

"They were about a mile away. I could see them clearly even though it was a dull day. They were white and glowing.

"One was bigger than the others with a cup-shaped dome — obviously the mother ship. The others were oval," he added.

As he made out his report at his home in Chiltern-road, St. Helens, Lancs, Pc Cameron said:

"I suppose I will get some ribbing from the lads, but that is not what worries me ... It's what the Chief Constable thinks."

Police Kept Busy

Paterson News
Jan. 15, 1966

Spotters Jam Up-County Roads for UFO Glimpse

RINGWOOD — If the little men from outer space had the up-county police on the run Tuesday, their earthly counterparts caused more trouble Friday night.

Throngs of the curious ringed normally deserted Wanaque Reservoir in this small hamlet and created what old timers say is the first traffic jam in the history of the borough. The cars parked along Westbrook Road and Route 511.

Ringwood Police Lieutenant Jack O'Hara said "We told them to move on, but they kept coming back on the other side of the road, so we just had to give a couple of them summonses. They had everything, cameras, binoculars, telescopes. I was waiting to see one of them get out with a geiger counter."

The sky watchers were out in force after wide spread publication of the sighting of unidentified flying objects over the reservoir. The elusive thing in the sky, however had failed to make a return appearance Friday.

Since the sightings, Tuesday, both Wanaque and this borough have been overpopulated with television cameras, newsmen and the curious.

(Continued on Page 2, Col. 7)

JANUAR

"Saucer" Is Forgot

THE HERALD-NEWS

By PETER A. DVARACKAS
Herald-News Sports Writer

Many months will pass before the impact of the strange flying objects which dominated the North Jersey skies this week fades into memory.

The bright white disk that streaked across three counties and hovered periodically over the Wanaque Reservoir will provide an ample amount of conversation for weeks to come. Indeed, thousands of eyewitnesses know well the story of that mysterious terrestrial stranger.

Not that the tale of the flying saucer is over yet.

Investigators from the National Investigation Committee on Aerial Phenomena (NICAP) may arrive today in Upper Passaic County from Washington D.C. to probe the UFO sightings.

Dr. George White, an electronics expert, and Dr. John Pegano of Fort Lee will investigate the scene of the unidentified object and then report back to NICAP. Announcement of the impending study was made by Richard Hall, assistant director of NICAP.

Nightly Vigil

Police at Wanaque, the state's largest water storage basin, continue to maintain a nightly vigil at the headworks. In Ringwood Avenue and Westbrook Road to spot that weird disk of light which was seen as late as Thursday night making sharp dips and maneuvers over the reservoir.

It was Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. when residents, motorists, municipal officials, and police glanced up at the sky and began the first chapter of an serial

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New 'Fireball' Raises An Old Question: Do Flying Saucers Exist?

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Californian, Who 'Talks' to Men From the Stars, Says 'Yes'; Scientists Assail Air Force

By Elliot Carlson
Staff Reporter of The Wall Street Journal

They're back. The latest was sighted a few ghts ago by residents and pilots in the north- n tier of states and Canada. They described as an orange fireball. The Air Force at first fied it as unidentified flying object, but now nks it was a meteor. Some other people led it a flying saucer.

Several people say they saw the fireball land urday night. An 11-year-old boy in Lorain, io, says he watched it drop into the woods r his home. A woman in Elyria, Ohio, 10 les away, claims she saw it plunge into a rant lot across the street from her home. ers say they saw it streak into Lake Michi- n. Scientists and police combed a 10-acre a near Pittsburgh after a woman there saw object crash to earth "smoldering."

Despite these witnesses and search efforts, wever, the thing has yet to be found. In this ard, it is like all other unidentified flying ects, or UFOs, which are mysterious be- se they are seen but never found.

Whatever it turns out to be—meteor, satel- part, hoax, weather oddity or man from re—it appeared in a banner year for such ects, which almost disappeared from public sciousness following a rash of reports of ng saucers in the mid-1950s: "We've had re reports this year than in any year since 7, when we had more than a thousand," says pokesman for Project Blue Book, the Air ce program set up in 1948 to evaluate re- ts of the phenomena.

tors From Outer Space

Nobody knows what the objects are or where y come from, but there is no lack of theories of controversy. The Amalgamated Flying cer Clubs of America, Inc., is sure the tors" come from outer space. How do know? The "space people" have told m.

st only that, says Gabriel Green, who s the California group, "space people give ecious information about life on other ets and solutions to insurmountable prob- s on our planet." One suggestion allegedly e to Mr. Green in 1960 by a visit from Al- Centauri, a nearby star: Run for Pres- as a write-in candidate. (He campaigned fly, then decided not to run.)

he National Investigations Committee on al Phenomena (NICAP), a private re- ch organization in Washington, doesn't with that theory. "We reject reports of e beings landing on earth to solve all our lems," says a spokesman. So men from are a lot of bunk? Not necessarily, says ommittee. It believes a Congressional in- gation would prove that UFOs "are real ical objects . . . under the control of living gs." As an afterthought, the spokesman : "There are a tremendous number of egg- ple who have been able to appoint them- experts in this field because it's so con- g."

ne man who's not confused at all is Charles aney, professor emeritus of physics and ematics at Defiance College in Ohio. Says ofessor: "These objects are unquestion- from outer space." He bases his reason- n the fact that the objects often interfere everal electrical circuits, indicating to him have "a means of propulsion associated magnetic fields."

re's Nothing To It"

ch notions are scoffed at by astronomers, ever. "All this is imagination outside the of science," says Donald H. Menzel, di- r of the observatory at Harvard. "I have ied Air Force cases and discovered that all have simple explanations in terms ll-known natural phenomena. There's not one, but hundreds. Some are quite spec- r, such as reflections from ice crystals or stars, searchlights on clouds or high- spider webs. But to some people the exis- of flying saucers is a matter of religious iction," he says.

t Mr. Menzel reads more into the Air data than does the Air Force itself. Of 788 UFO reports made to the Air Force 1947, 673 remain classified as "unidenti- a spokesman says. He defines this cate- as containing sightings whose pertinent can't be correlated with any known object enomena.

they received nor discovered any evidence that proves the existence of intraspace mobility or extrate 'rial life and we continue to extend an ope [illegible] ting to anyone who feels he possesses [illegible] evide [illegible] of such vehicles operating in our atmosphe [illegible] And he states: "No UFO report evaluated by the Air Force has ever given any indication of a threat to our national security."

The Air Force's approach disturbs some people, however. "The Air Force should admit there are natural phenomena taking place under our noses of which we know nothing," says I. M. Levitt, director of Fels Planetarium at the Franklin Institute in Philadelphia. He adds: "The Air Force is trying to explain something that isn't susceptible to explanation."

Robert Risser, director of the Oklahoma Science and Art Foundation planetarium at Oklahoma City, believes "the Air Force must have had its star-finder upside down during August," when several reports of flying saucers were ascribed by the Air Force to sightings of stars. "The constellations of Taurus and Orion weren't visible at the time the Air Force said the sightings were made. I think they made an error."

The whole problem, says J. Allen Hynek, chairman of the department of astronomy at Northwestern University and a consultant to the Air Force, is that the matter should be studied more thoroughly.

"Pressures to conformity in academic circles and fear of ridicule have slowed the study," according to Robert Hall, a sociology professor at the University of Illinois in Chicago.

"The possibility of life on Mars is an unpopular thing to consider these days," says Frank B. Salisbury, a professor of plant physiology at Colorado State University. At the risk of being unpopular, Mr. Salisbury told the fifth annual Space Conference this year that "there may be some natural explanation of these things, but a tentative possibility to be considered is that UFOs are spaceships from Mars."

Fueling the flying-saucer controversy has been the large number of reports from what many people consider reliable witnesses—pilots with technical backgrounds. Since 1947, more than 100 private, military and commercial pilots have reported spotting strange objects in the sky, according to one study.

Pinning down such reports is difficult, however. "Some of the boys did report things they couldn't identify a few years ago," says a spokesman for American Airlines. "But our pilots haven't made a report for years."

Nevertheless, "we have on file a great number of reports from pilots who don't want their names used but still want to tell somebody what they've seen, claims J. B. Hartranft, Jr., president of the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association. And he says: "I haven't drawn any conclusions myself, but I think we've certainly got a good mystery on our hands."

London, Ontario Free Press 5-26-66

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Disc-Like Object Hovers, Rises For Two Hours East of Kettle Point

By Jim Etherington
Free Press Sarnia Bureau

SARNIA — A revolving object, sighted in the sky east of Kettle Point last night, was watched for more than two hours by about 100 persons.

Lawrence Bressette, who operates a store on the Kettle Point Indian Reserve, said a motorist brought the object to his attention about 8 p.m. He said he looked at it through binoculars and could see red, blue, green and white lights flashing from the disc-shaped object.

Mr. Bressette said it remained motionless for about an hour flashing lights, then slowly began to rise. Cloud cover rolled in about 10 p.m., allowing only periodic sightings.

"I've never seen anything like this," he said. "We all saw it. It was low — about 200 or 300 feet off the ground to the east. Then it slowly began to move up."

Mr. Bressette said it could not have been swamp gas which was suggested was the cause of unidentified flying object sightings in the Detroit area last week.

"I've seen swamp gas lights. This was not the same," he said. "Besides there hasn't been any swamp gas lights around here since before the war."

Mr. Bressette said his brother, Jeffery, also reported seeing an object over Sarnia. This one stayed stationary for a short time then shot across the sky at a very high speed.

An officer in control operations at Selfridge Air Force Base, Mount Clemens, Mich., said the Canadian sighting was the fourth reported to him last night. The other three were from the Detroit area.

He said no radar reports had been obtained on any of the sightings.

Mr. Bressette reported jet planes in the area at one point while the group watched along the Lake Huron shore. But there was no possibility the object he saw was a jet.

In Michigan new reports of UFO sightings were received Saturday night as far north as the tip of the "Thumb" in Lake Huron.

Odd lights were reported in the sky over Oakland County and the neighboring Detroit area. Others were reported westward in the Lansing area.

Dr. J. Allen Hynek of Northwestern University, scientific consultant to the U.S. Air Force said phenomena seen at Dexter and Hillsdale on the night of March 20 probably were the result of swamp gases.

Sheriff Douglas Harvey of Washtenaw County and civil defence director William Van Horn of Hillsdale County criticized Dr. Hynek's report. Van Horn said the swamp gas explanation was an attempt to "explain it away arbitrarily."

Flying Saucers Gain Proponent

5-26-66

N.Y. Daily News Service

NEW YORK — The nephew of the late Dag Hammarskjold has startled America's top science writers by telling them he believes that flying saucers exist and that they come from outer space.

Knut Hammarskjold, whose late uncle was secretary general of the United Nations, spoke to a convention here of the aviation-space writers association.

Hammarskjold also suggested that our space neighbors are becoming more and more interested in what people are doing on earth.

"The possible existence of neighbors in space will, if confirmed, create problems of legal, political and technical characteristics," he said.

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Feb. 7

★ Los Angeles Herald-Examiner

UN Watch For Saucers Ur

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., Feb. 7 (AP)—Colman Vonkevicsky, an employe in the U.N. Office of Public Information, proposed to Secretary-General U Thant today that members of the United Nations establish a network to observe flying saucers.

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A-2 Los Angeles Herald-Examiner

There was something over Mount Wilson early today but it didn't catch the entire city napping.

Police and newspaper switchboards were flooded with calls describing the object variously as a "puff," a "greenish ball," a "flat oval green object with a long tail and a light at the end."

It was first sighted about 4 a.m. and remained in view for about half an hour.

A similar fireball was sighted about the same time from Sacramento and from Vandenberg Air Force Base, it was reported.

Vandenberg reported no launches during the preceding 24 hours which might account for the phenomenon and said radar

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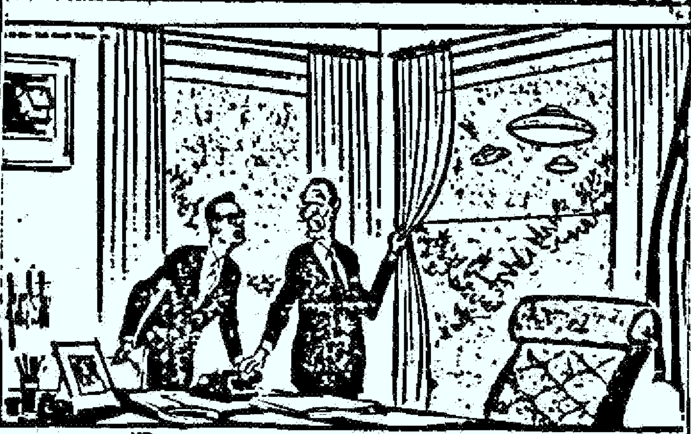

4-18-66

'Report Them . . . Forget It— I Have Enough Credibility Problems As It Is'

ould You Believe—Saucer Visits Wichita?

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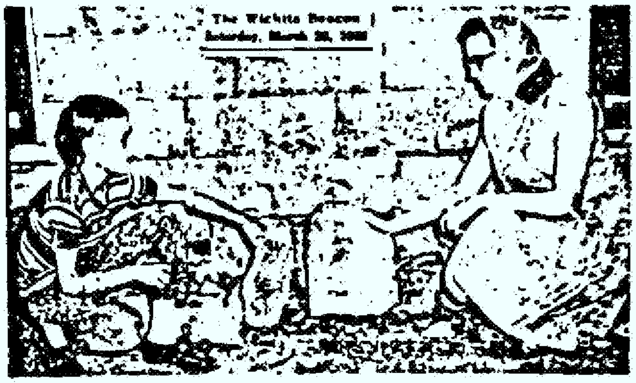
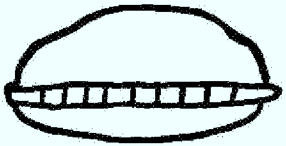

The Wichita Beacon
Saturday, March 26, 1966

Mrs. Thomas and Johnny examined "flying saucer damage." Concrete reinforcement sheeting was broken, mud pointed.

O Sighting Reported Here

Star -- Not an Aircraft, Says
S. Smith Family of North Bend


SAUCER SHAPE This is a rough sketch by Phil Smith, of the Unidentified Flying Object watched by Phil, his father and mother, and his sister for about 10 minutes the evening of April 7. [illegible]

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THE MONTREAL STAR, MONDAY, APRIL 4, 1966

Boy Is Burned By 'Flying Ship'

HAMILTON, Ont., April 4 [illegible]

CHARLES COUSENS

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Sky Near Bloom'dale

Mar ... '66

Latest 'Flying Saucer' Report

BLOOMINGDALE— [illegible]

Saturday, April 2, 1966

Planet Pluto Saucers Seen Talked With

By AUSTIN CONOVER

SUNSET STRIP—The invitation to "Several persons who have been contacted from outer space will be available for interviews at 8000 Sunset Blvd." The headquarters of World Harmony, Inc., led by Estelle C. Poore, president, [illegible]

ESTELLE C. POORE
... talks to space men

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THOSE SPACE PEOPLE! Citizen News 6-14-66

Flying Saucers, Quakes Linked

By AUSTIN CONOVER

HOLLYWOOD — [illegible]

Age of Achievement

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Space Insignia

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WESLEY S. BATEMAN
... earthquakes, saucers

Times April 26, 1965

'Mysterious UFO' Escorts Burns Plane

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Meteorite ... Over ... Northeast

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BRILLIANTLY LIGHTED

Police Follow Saucer 85 Miles

4-18-66 San Diego Union

RAVENNA, Pa. (UPI) — [illegible]

Sunday, Mar. 13, 1966 ... Los Angeles Herald-Examiner

SAUCER BLAST? SIX TOWNS SEE MYSTERY

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'The Thing' Sets Britons Speculating Anew

Hong Kong. 4-11-66

London, Apr. 10.

"The Thing" — or "Things" — returned to Britain today and caused new speculation about a flying object which officials have failed so far to explain fully.

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A Second UFO Seen In Michigan

3-22-66

HILLSDALE, Mich. (UPI) — [illegible]

Realtor Spots Saucer-Like Flying Object

3-22-66

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SEALS

Western Ontario's Foremost Newspaper

110th YEAR OF PUBLICATION LONDON, ONTARIO, TUESDAY, MARCH 29, 1966—56 Pages

Tracked by Radar

UFOs Sighted Over Wide Section of District

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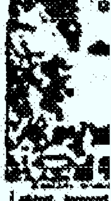

THE SUN-BULLETIN—Binghamton, N.Y. March 17, '66

Not star, says collector of flying saucer photos

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THE TELEGRAM, Toronto, Sat. March 26, 1966

Swamp gas still 'flying'

DETROIT — (UPI) — The U.S. Air Force closes its books today on the case of two "visits" by unidentified flying objects. It's verdict: swamp gas.

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St. [illegible] -Star, 4-11-66.

Photographed Flying Saucer, Picture Censored

Associated Press

RAVENNA, Ohio, April [illegible] [illegible]

POLICE CHIEF 'CONVINCED THEY SAW SOMETHING'

THE DENVER POST Friday, April 8, 1

Six Teens Tell of 'Chase' by Buzzing, Lighted UF

By ROBERT [illegible]
Denver Post Staff Writer

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Buzzing 'All Around'

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'Car Didn't Work Right'

[illegible]

Called Sheriff's Office

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Daily Chronicle, Saturday, April 2, 1966.

Since December

Area UFO Buffs Report Skies Clear of Saucers

[illegible]

Montreal Gazette, 4-30-66.

Super-Space World Sought By Soviets

[illegible]

Deputy Gets Too Close to 'Saucer'

RAVENNA, Ohio (AP) — [illegible]

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FLYING SAUCER NEWS IN BRIEF

COMING 1966 FLYING SAUCER CONVENTIONS

JULY 8, 9, 10: AFSCA's 3rd National Convention, :entennial Coliseum, Reno, Nev. (See details on back)

JULY 15, 16, 17: WAYNE AHO sponsors the 'orthwest's 5th Annual Interplanetary Age Conven- :on. Lectures, exhibits and New Age topics. Advance registrations — $1.00 per day for adults, 50¢ ›r students. Write to: Mrs. Lorena Vogt; 815 N. E. 10th; Seattle, Wash. Phone: Emerson 3-0956.

AUGUST 6 thru 14th: DR. NEVA DELL 'UNTER'S 12th Annual Quimby Conference of Trans- ıtion. Lectures and discussions on New Age Topics, ıcluding the stars, science and metaphysics. In ›vely scenic country at a beautiful, modern motor- otel. $2.50 per day, attendance. Information from: uimby Center; P. O. Box 453; Alamogordo, N. M.

AUGUST 19, 20, 21: SPACE RESEARCH, Inc.'s econd Annual Convention, at the North Branch MCA in Spokane, Washington. Scenic location near .e Spokane River. Indoor and outdoor convention :tivities. For information, write to: Space esearch Inc., No. 6815 Julia, Spokane, Wash.

OCTOBER 22, 23: GEORGE VAN TASSEL'S 13th nnual Spacecraft Convention at Giant Rock, Calif. in e desert 17 miles north of Yucca Valley. Bring our own camping equipment and enjoy the outing.

OCTOBER 29, 30: 10th ANNUAL NORTHERN ALIFORNIA SPACECRAFT CONVENTION, Clare- ont Hotel, Berkeley, Calif. Info: Angela Kilsby; :65 Montgomery Blvd.; San Francisco, Calif. 94127.

OUR NEW NAME: Our magazine, formerly lled "UFO International", has now become "Flying ucers International", which we feel to be a more propriate title, since Flying Saucers are no longer ıidentified Flying Objects as far as we are concern- .. Flying Saucers have become a serious issue th thinking people all over the world. We believe at most of the objects which have been sighted have en of extraterrestrial origin, controlled by intelli- nt beings who, in form, are very much like us. ıerefore, we hope you will understand our reasons r changing titles, and that you will continue to joy reading our publication under its new banner.

DR. RAYMOND BERNARD, founder of the osophical Society of Santa Caterina, Brazil, passed ay on Sept. 10, 1965. He was the author of "The llow Earth" and several other books concerned th the hollow earth theory.

MARIA ELLIOTT, contactee, psychic and ınder of Maria Creative Womanhood Foundation, s a recent guest on the Bob Grant Radio Show, and Pamela Mason TV Show. Glamorous Maria now s her own program every Tuesday afternoon at 10 p.m. on KTYM radio. She may be seen in rson every Wed. evening at Holland House Restau- nt, 8:00 p.m. in the downstairs meeting room. interesting program may be heard on New Age pics, and free readings are given. For more ormation about Maria's appearances, classes, :., phone 657-1631, or write: Dr. Maria Elliott; 43 Sunset Plaza Drive; Los Angeles, Calif. 90069.

DR. GEORGE KING, founder of the Aetherius ciety, was host at the official opening of the ciety's new headquarters at 6202 Afton Place; Los geles, Calif. 90028; on March 5, 1966. After the ›gram Dr. King personally escorted us around the ractive quarters. He also reported that a high ace Being in physical form had visited there cently for an hour and fifteen minutes and, after walking around the premises, left his blessing Aetherius Society and its work. For further inf ation call 465-9652, or write to the above addre

DELLA LARSON, who for over a decade w guiding light and main instigator of Flying Sauc meetings and activities in the San Francisco Ba Area, passed away on October 25, 1965. She w 70 years old. She will be remembered for her energetic and enthusiastic dedication to the goal the Flying Saucer cause, as well as for the high successful annual Northern California Space Cr Conventions which she organized for nine years. (Della, we salute you!)

MAX MILLER, former publisher of the now defunct "Saucers" magazine, and author of "Fly Saucers: Fact or Fiction" (now out of print), ha new role. He is now editor-publisher of "Real" azine which may be found on the newstands for 5 The August '66 issue devotes about half of its sp the Flying Saucer subject and will be well worth investigation.

WILBUR MILLER, one of the early researc in the Flying Saucer Movement, passed away on March 5, 1966. He was known for his fine chan contacts with several Space Beings, including M of Mars. He also was the co-author — with his Evelyn — of the book "We of the New Dimension. Although he was a native of Missouri he had, in recent years, been a resident of Los Angeles an Morongo Valley, Calif. (Good journey, Will!)

HOPE TROXELL, founder of the School of Thought, now situated in Independence, Calif. (F Box 458), reported recently that the neighboring towns of Bishop and Lone Pine had partial black during an evening channel (teltpathic) session sh having with the Space Brothers. The lights in In pendence went out completely for several minute a gradual fade-out, and then came on again in th same manner. During this time, the Space Bein speaking through Hope said to those present: "B afraid. We are guardians of the race. *Protecti* will be given to those in the area."

HAL WILCOX made a fine guest appearance the Joe Pyne TV Show, April 30, 1966. Hal pas the lie-detector test with flying colors and condu himself with dignity and fortitude, which isn't al easy on the Joe Pyne Show. During the test, Hal stated that he had taken a saucer ride to visit the second planet from the star, Alpha Centauri.

M. I. N. D. stands for Mental Investigations New Dimensions, an organization recently form Wesley and JoNell Bateman. Their activities in meetings, courses and public appearances. The have demonstrated on several occassions for gr of up to 20 people, their ability to telepathically direct the movements of visable spacecraft over Write: M. I. N. D.; 4916 Franklin Ave.; Hollywo California 90027. Phone: 661-1731.

HELEN & GABRIEL GREEN contributed the bit to the education of nearly 300,000 young peo the saucer subject at the Teen-Age Fair, April 10 at the Hollywood Palladium, where AFSCA ha booth to exhibit saucer photos, show slides, and disseminate information. We handed out over 1 brochures and saucer photo post cards, and talk ourselves hoarse answering questions for 12 hou each day. Gabriel also made over a dozen radi TV appearances and interviews during the Fair.

We also had another booth at the National Aviation and Aerospace Exhibition at the Pan Pa Auditorium, May 17 thru 22. Yes, we've been b

FLYING SAUCER NEWS IN BRIEF

NEW BOOKS NOW AVAILABLE FROM AFSCA: Price includes 15¢ mailing charge. California esidents also add 4% sales tax.)

. COUNCIL OF SEVEN LIGHTS by George Van assel, now reprinted — $3.65.
. THE ADVENT OF THE COSMIC VIEWPOINT by ryant Reeve — $6.15.
. FLYING SAUCERS THROUGH THE AGES by Paul homas — $4.15.
. OTHER TONGUES, OTHER FLESH by George unt Williamson, now reprinted — $6.10.
. SECRET OF THE ANDES by Brother Philip - $4.
. FLYING SAUCERS AND THE THREE MEN by lbert K. Bender — $4.15.
. FLYING SAUCERS - SERIOUS BUSINESS by rank Edwards — $6.10.
. INCIDENT AT EXETER by John G. Fuller - $6.10.
. THE HOLLOW EARTH by Dr. Raymond Bernard, ow available again in soft cover for $3.15.

—PAST CONVENTIONS & SAUCER ACTIVITIES:

EBRUARY 5, 6, 1966: Dr. Frank E. Stranges' 4th nnual UFO Space and Science Convention was held at e Blarney Castle Inn Annex in Los Angeles.

UNE 4, 5, 6, 1966: Dr. Daniel W. Fry's Man in pace Symposium took place at Dunsmuir, near Mt. asta in Northern California.

UNE 25, 26, 27, 1966: Buck Nelson's 10th Annual acecraft Convention was held at Buck's Mountain iew Ranch; Route 1, Box 236; Mountain View, Mo.

BACK ISSUES of UFO INTERNATIONAL are now elling 11 issues for $3.00, while they last (issue 1 is now out of print). There is much timeless and luable information available in these magazines.

OUT OF PRINT: 1. FLYING SAUCERS: TOP CRET by Major Donald E. Keyhoe is now out of int, although it is listed in our new brochure. ome saucer books have occassionally gone out of int without notice.)

BACK ISSUES #6 and 11 are now out of print. We ill have only a few copies left of #9 which we have iced at $1.00 each in an effort to preserve them for rious researchers and collectors. Please do not der these items, or any other materials which we not advertise.

PRICE CHANGE: The price has gone up on two the better known books in the saucer field, which must now order from England: 1. THE SKY OPLE by Brinsley le Poer Trench, was $4.65. is now $5.10, postpaid. 2. ROAD IN THE SKY by orge Hunt Williamson, was $4.15. It is now $5.10, stpaid. California residents please add 4% tax.

"UFOI" ISSUE #23 CORRECTIONS: Page 4, line the date should be April 24, 1964, instead of 65. On page 4, line 1 of the 7th paragraph, insert ater, via telepathy" after "They told him ---."

SEATTLE, WASHINGTON area residents please te: AFSCA Unit #25 meets every 4th Friday at the attle Public Library, Room 325 at 7:30 P.M., der the capable direction of Mr. Leverett G. llman. The meeting is free, and all who are erested in the Flying Saucer subject are invited to me to listen and to participate in the discussion.

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SAUCER NEWS CLIPPINGS: Your resp been wonderful! We've received so many cli from you helpful people that we simply hadn't space to print all your individual names and So we say a big and sincere THANKS to all of And please do keep 'em coming! (One remin please DON'T write on or near the clippings.)

WEDDING BELLS rang on Saturday, Jun for contactee Elary J. Willsie and Sophia Ma Olivares of Mexico City. The ceremony took at Los Angeles, California. Among those pr were Sophia's parents and her younger sister Mexico City; Mrs. Maud Willsie, mother of groom; and your editor, who was also officia rapher for the occasion. Mr. and Mrs. Will live in Los Angeles. Congratulations and bes Elary and Sophia!

MEL NOEL, former Air Force Lieutena fighter pilot, is fast becoming very well know lectures on his amazing experiences with Fly Saucers while on active duty in the service. been speaking to capacity crowds wherever he On Thursday, June 23, 1966, the personable Noel spoke to a standing-room only crowd at Aeronautical Sciences Building on Beverly Bl West Los Angeles. We hear that he is booke speak at 57 colleges across the nation! Rece appeared on the Louis Lomax TV Show, and h heard on many radio shows. He leaves short Mexico City, where he has been invited by an government group to speak. He has been pro some interesting experiences by a local conta there, and we look forward to hearing his rep his return! Good work, Mel, and good luck!

SID PADRICK, contactee from Watsonvil Calif., who spent two hours aboard a space c was recently in Los Angeles when he was gue speaker at the regular monthly meeting of the wood Unit of Understanding on Saturday, June 1966. Meetings are held on the 4th Saturday month at the Inglewood Business and Professi Woman's Club; 820 Java St., Inglewood, at 8: Donation is $1.00. Information: Mrs. Rober Forrester, Program Chairman; P.O. Box 1 Inglewood, Calif. 90306. Phone: 677-5214. Mr. and Mrs. Lee Yates. Phone: 293-4743.

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Incident No.______

1. Date of Observation 10 Aug 49 Date of Interview 11 Aug 49

2. Exact time of observation (local) 2035 - 2207 - 2220 - 2248

3. Place of Observation: OP Crossville Mountain 913.3 - 852.6
   (Map Coordinates)

4. Position of observer (air, car, bldg, location of - give details):
   Standing

5. What attracted attention to object:
   Unusual moving light in the sky

6. Number of objects and sketch of formation or grouping:
   One object at each time of sighting

7. Apparent size (compare to known object, i.e., sun, moon, thumb or fist at arms length):
   Appeared to be the size of a large flare

8. Color of object:
   White

9. Shape (give graphic description - compare with known object):
   Round blur - with trail

10. Altitude (Angle of elevation above horizon - 0 degrees at horizon, 90 degrees overhead):
    30 to 45 degrees

11. Direction from observer (Angle clockwise from North):
    Due North

12. Distance from observer (Distance to town, bldg, etc., over which object appeared to be):
    Great distance unestimable

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13. Direction of flight of object (s):
    West to East

14. Time of sight:
    3 or 4 seconds or less

15. Speed (time to cover given angular distance):
    Greater speed than any observed plane

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16. Sound and odor:
None

17. Trail (color, length, width, persistence, etc.)
White trail, even throughout, brilliance faded toward the end.

18. Luminosity (visible by reflection, incandescence, other - degree of brilliance):
Almost as brilliant as the evening star.

19. Projections (fins, wings, rods, antennae, canopies, etc.):
None

20. Maneuvers (turns, climbs, dives, etc. - sketch of flight path):
Level flight with a slight gain of altitude.

21. Manner of disappearance:
Burned out very quickly and particles appeared to drop to within 200
of earth.

22. Effect on clouds:
None

23. Additional information concerning object:
None

24. Weather conditions and light at time of sighting:
Absolutely Clear.

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Name and address of observer: Pvt George O. Smith
"C" Co - 12th AIB
2d Armd Div., Cp Hood, Texas

Occupation and hobbies:
US Army

Comments of Interrogator relative to intelligence and character of observer (Check neighbors, police dept., FBI records, employer, etc.):

Fair observer.

Did observer wear glasses, especially polariod glasses at time of sighting, or was object viewed through canopy, window, or other transparent material? None

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI   DATE: August 16, 1949

FROM : SAC, San Antonio

SUBJECT: PROTECTION OF VITAL INSTALLATIONS   X Flying Discs

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I am attaching hereto a number of copies of reports being received in great numbers in this office concerning the so-called flying disks or unnatural phenomena being frequently observed around Camp Hood, Texas. This is, of course, a primary concern of the Air Corps. Consequently, this office is following the practice of reviewing these data and then destroying them in the event there appears to be nothing of FBI interest therein. It is pointed out that the filing of these would result in the rapid accumulation of very bulky files.

Unless the Bureau believes this is unwise, this practice will continue.

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UNIDENTIFIED AERIAL OBJECTS

Incident No. 1

1. Date of Observation 28 July Date of Interview 29 July

2. Exact time of observation (local) Approximately 2045

3. Place of Observation: Just outside Hood Village on highway 190
(Map Coordinates)

4. Position of observer (air, car, bldg, location of - give details):

Driving west on highway 190.

5. What attracted attention to object:

Unusual light.

6. Number of objects and sketch of formation or grouping:

One

7. Apparent size (compare to known object, i.e., sun, moon, thumb or fist at arms length):

About the size of evening star.

8. Color of object:

Predominately white, tint of blue green.

9. Shape (give graphic description - compare with known object);

Round with tail.

10. Altitude (Angle of elevation above horizon - 0 degrees at horizon, 90 degrees overhead):

30°

11. Direction from observer (Angle clockwise from North):

290° North West.

12. Distance from observer (Distance to town, bldg, etc., over which object appeared to be):

Approximately 2 miles.

13. Direction of flight of object (s):

North to South.

14. Time of sight:

3 to 5 seconds.

15. Speed (time to cover given angular distance):

Unestimable.

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16. Sound and odor:

None

17. Trail (color, length, width, persistence, etc.)

Blue green - same degree of persistency as main body.

18. Luminosity (visible by reflection, incandescence, other - degree of brilliance):

Brighter than evening star.

19. Projections (fins, wings, rods, antennae, canopies, etc.):

None

20. Manouvers (turns, climbs, dives, etc. - sketch of flight path):

Fairly level flight, gaining some altitude.

21. Manner of disappearance:

Faded out.

22. Effect on clouds:

None

23. Additional information concerning object:

None

24. Weather conditions and light at time of sighting:

Very clear, with an abundance of stars.

Name and address of observer:

Cpl John B. [illegible], Killeen Base, Killeen, Texas

Occupation and hobbies:

Soldier, some photography.

Comments of Interrogator relative to intelligence and character of observer (Check neighbors, police dept., FBI records, employer, etc.):

Fair observer of average intelligence.

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Did observer wear glasses, especially polariod glasses at time of sighting, or was object viewed through canopy, window, or other transparent material? **None**

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~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ Incident No. 2

1. Date of Observation 28 July Date of Interview 29 July

2. Exact time of observation (local) ~~2230~~ 2251

3. Place of Observation:
(Map Coordinates) 912.5 - 862.1

4. Position of observer (air, car, bldg, location of - give details):
Driving west on highway 190.

5. What attracted attention to object:
Looking at the sky when an object that appeared blue, turned white and started to move.

6. Number of objects and sketch of formation or grouping:
One

7. Apparent size (compare to known object, i.e., sun, moon, thumb or fist at arms length):
3 times Evening star.

8. Color of object:
Initially blue turning white.

9. Shape (give graphic description - compare with known object):
Round (No Tail).

10. Altitude (Angle of elevation above horizon - 0 degrees at horizon, 90 degrees overhead):
30°

11. Direction from observer (Angle clockwise from North):
Due North.

12. Distance from observer (Distance to town, bldg, etc., over which object appeared to be):
3 or 4 miles.

13. Direction of flight of object (s):
North to North West.

14. Time of sight: 15 to 20 seconds, stationary 5 to 10 seconds, time in flight 5 to 10 seconds.

15. Speed (time to cover given angular distance):
5 to 10 seconds.

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16. Sound and odor:

None

17. Trail (color, length, width, persistence, etc.)

None

18. Luminosity (visible by reflection, incandescence, other - degree of brilliance):

Brilliance of evening star or slightly brighter.

19. Projections (fins, wings, rods, antennae, canopies, etc.):

No.

20. Manouvers (turns, climbs, dives, etc. - sketch of flight path):

Straight flight gaining altitude.

21. Manner of disappearance:

Went out like a light.

22. Effect on clouds:

None.

23. Additional information concerning object:

None.

24. Weather conditions and light at time of sighting:

Clear.

Name and address of observer: **1st Lt Harold [illegible]**
4601 Base Sv Sq., Killeen Base
Killeen, Texas

Occupation and hobbies:

Officer in US Air Force (Pilot).

Comments of Interrogator relative to intelligence and character of observer (Check neighbors, police dept., FBI records, employer, etc.):

Excellent observer.

Did observer wear glasses, especially polariod glasses at time of sighting, or was object viewed through canopy, window, or other transparent material? **None.**

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UNIDENTIFIED AERIAL OBJECTS

Incident No. 9

1. Date of Observation 28 July Date of Interview 29 July

2. Exact time of observation (local) 2259

3. Place of Observation:
(Map Coordinates) 911.5 - 862.1

4. Position of observer (air, car, bldg, location of - give details):
Driving east on highway 190.

5. What attracted attention to object:
Bright light.

6. Number of objects and sketch of formation or grouping:
Two.

7. Apparent size (compare to known object, i.e., sun, moon, thumb or fist at arms length):
Tennis ball.

8. Color of object:
Predominately white one had an orange glow to the tail.

9. Shape (give graphic description - compare with known object);
Round with tail following.

10. Altitude (Angle of elevation above horizon - 0 degrees at horizon, 90 degrees overhead):
Approximately 30°.

11. Direction from observer (Angle clockwise from North):
170° South.

12. Distance from observer (Distance to town, bldg, etc., over which object appeared to be):
3 miles.

13. Direction of flight of object (s):
South to North.

14. Time of sight:
#1 - 2 or 3 seconds #2 - 10 or 12 seconds

15. Speed (time to cover given angular distance):
Same as 14.

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16. Sound and odor:
None

17. Trail (color, length, width, persistence, etc.)
# 1 trail blue green # 2 light orange.

18. Luminosity (visible by reflection, incandescence, other - degree of brilliance):

Bright flood light.

19. Projections (fins, wings, rods, antennae, canopies, etc.):

None.

20. Maneuvers (turns, climbs, dives, etc. - sketch of flight path):

Straight flight south to north in an arc.

21. Manner of disappearance:
Faded out.

22. Effect on clouds:

None.

23. Additional information concerning object:

None.

24. Weather conditions and light at time of sighting:
Clear sky with an abundance of stars.

Name and address of observer: **Cpl John D. BERGER**
Killeen Base
Killeen, Texas

Occupation and hobbies:

Soldier, photographer.

Comments of Interrogator relative to intelligence and character of observer (Check neighbors, police dept., FBI records, employer, etc.):

Fair observer.

Did observer wear glasses, especially polariod glasses at time of sighting, or was object viewed through canopy, window, or other transparent material? **None.**

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TO : Mr. A. H. Belmont

DATE: September 24, 1957

FROM : Mr. [illegible] R. Roach

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SUBJECT: UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT REPORTED ON SEPTEMBER 20, 1957; INTELLIGENCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE - WATCH COMMITTEE

Reference is made to my memorandum of September 23, 1957, on the captioned matter which reflected an Intelligence Advisory Committee (IAC) evaluation of an Air Defense Command (ADC) report that radar stations at Montauk Point, Long Island, New York, and Benton, Pennsylvania, detected an unidentified object proceeding in a westward direction with an altitude of 50,000 feet and a speed of 2,000 knots (approximately 2,300 miles per hour) on September 20, 1957. The IAC intelligence evaluation of this report reflected that "It is highly improbable that a Soviet operation is responsible for the unidentified flying object reports of September 20, 1957."

Today, at an Executive Session of the IAC, General Millard Lewis, Director, Air Force Intelligence, advised that although the ADC has not completed its investigation of the evidence on this matter, there are continuing indications that the object detected was an atmospheric phenomenon. The radar pickups now reflect speed variations in the object's course, ranging from 1,500 miles per hour to 4,500 miles per hour. This latter speed is improbable according to U. S. scientific theory for any type flying object which this could conceivably be. General Lewis added that the present sun spots are associated with the peculiar radar activity throughout the globe and that this could have some cause for the captioned report.

ACTION:

Liaison will report further information on this matter as quickly as it is developed.

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1 - Mr. D.E.Moore
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : *Mr. A. H. Belmont*

DATE: *September 23, 1957*

FROM : *R. R. Roach*

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The following information was obtained by Liaison Supervisor M.W. Kuhrtz at the Intelligence Advisory Committee - Watch Committee special meeting on September 21, 1957, relative to the captioned matter. The initial report in this matter was given by the U.S. Air Defense Command to the White House on September 20, 1957, reflecting that an unidentified flying object was picked up by radar station at Montauk Point, Long Island, New York, at approximately 4 p.m., proceeding in a westward direction with an altitude of 50,000 feet and a speed of 2,000 knots (approximately 2300 miles per hour). The radar station at Montauk Point maintained an image for approximately one minute, and thereafter it was picked up by a radar station at Benton, Pennsylvania (Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania), which coincided with the Montauk Point pickup and was tracked by Benton for approximately 9 minutes. Thereafter, jamming was reported by several radar stations westward as far as Chicago.

The Watch Committee at its meeting on September 21 was told by the Air Defense Command that the original reports had been downgraded, since there was an 11-minute break in the tracking by the various radar stations, and further that weather stations in the area were of the type which have in the past produced false radar "pips" and electronic information. Also, there were a number of Strategic Air Command planes in the Chicago area on a training flight. The Watch Committee was told that the Air Defense Command has not completed its investigation of this incident; however, in any event it was reported that the phenomena reported west of Buffalo, New York, were not related to the object as reported by Montauk Point and Benton, Pennsylvania.

The Watch Committee concluded that, "It is highly improbable that a Soviet operation is responsible for the unidentified flying object reports of September, 1957." The Watch Committee in considering this matter also concluded that there is no intelligence on Soviet activities which can be related to a missile launching of this type

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over the U.S. It is unlikely that a Soviet aircraft could conduct a mission at this speed and altitude and return to Soviet territory. The Soviets are given credit for the capability of a "submarine launched cruise-type missile of low supersonic performance" and a range of about 500 nautical miles; however, there is no evidence of the existence of such a missile by the Soviets.

The Watch Committee also examined possible Soviet motives for launching a one way missile on an operation over the U.S., and it was concluded that there would be little motivation at this time except possibly a psychological or retaliatory motive. The Watch Committee ruled out one way reconnaissance operations on the likelihood that the results would be of small value and the risk of compromise would be very great. (This possible retaliatory motive by the Soviets could be in response ~~to U.S. flights~~ to a U.S. "Project Aquatone" flight over the USSR which was detected on September 9, 1956, by Soviet planes and mentioned in my memorandum of September 19, 1957.)

ACTION:

The above is submitted for information. Since the Air Defense Command is still investigating this report, further information will be reported as a more conclusive evaluation can be made.

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UNIDENTIFIED AERIAL OBJECTS

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ Incident No. 2

1. Date of Observation 30 July 49 Date of Interview 1 August 49

2. Exact time of observation (local) 2134

3. Place of Observation: Map, Camp Hood, 1:50000
   (Map Coordinates) At estimated altitude 1500-2000 feet over 915.03-657.8

4. Position of observer (air, car, bldg, location of - give details):
   In ¼ ton truck (open) located at 912.5-655.55

5. What attracted attention to object:
   Bright light appearing in sky.

6. Number of objects and sketch of formation or grouping:
   One

7. Apparent size (compare to known object, i.e., sun, moon, thumb or fist at arms length):
   Appeared to be a rocket of type unknown to observer. In length, including tail, was about 1½ thumbs.

8. Color of object:
   Pretty blue tail with nose round in shape and exceedingly brilliant like a magnesium flare only more intense.

9. Shape (give graphic description - compare with known object);
   Shaped like rocket but larger than ordinary. Appeared to have a ball-like nucleus emitting a blue-white tail.

10. Altitude (Angle of elevation above horizon - 0 degrees at horizon, 90 degrees overhead):
    Estimated 35°.

11. Direction from observer (Angle clockwise from North):
    40° magnetic azimuth (taken by compass).

12. Distance from observer (Distance to town, bldg, etc., over which object appeared to be):
    Estimated 3500 yards.

13. Direction of flight of object (s):
    Southeast to North West.

14. Time of sight:
    2135

15. Speed (time to cover given angular distance): Estimated 2 - 2.5 seconds to cover arc about 15°.

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16. Sound and odor:

None

17. Trail (color, length, width, persistence, etc.)

Blue - white, broadening with distance from nucleus.

18. Luminosity (visible by reflection, incandescence, other - degree of brilliance):

Nucleus was extremely brilliant; trail much less so.

19. Projections (fins, wings, rods, antennae, canopies, etc.):

None

20. Maneuvers (turns, climbs, dives, etc. - sketch of flight path):

Climbed in arc, rather slight, angle of climb about 15°.

21. Manner of disappearance:

Faded out.

22. Effect on clouds:

None

23. Additional information concerning object: **Reconnaissance of area where object might have fallen conducted by helicopter. Result negative.**

24. Weather conditions and light at time of sighting:

Weather clear, quarter moon.

Name and address of observer: **Capt Max W. BOLCATKA, CO Co B, 82nd Rcn Bn Camp Hood, Texas.**

Occupation and hobbies:

Army officer, horsemanship, shooting, other field sports.

Comments of Interrogator relative to intelligence and character of observer (Check neighbors, police dept., FBI records, employer, etc.):

Excellent observer with considerable experience in ground reconnaissance.

Did observer wear glasses, especially polariod glasses at time of sighting, or was object viewed through canopy, window, or other transparent material? **Wore glasses, not polaroid.**

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Incident No. 2

1. Date of Observation 30 July Date of Interview 1 August

2. Exact time of observation (local) 2204

3. Place of Observation: (Map Coordinates) 912.5 - 854.5

4. Position of observer (air, car, bldg, location of - give details):

Dismounted patrol walking.

5. What attracted attention to object:

Bright light.

6. Number of objects and sketch of formation or grouping:

One

7. Apparent size (compare to known object, i.e., sun, moon, thumb or fist at arms length):

Evening star or planet.

8. Color of object:

Predominantly white with blue tint.

9. Shape (give graphic description - compare with known object);

Round with long trail.

10. Altitude (Angle of elevation above horizon - 0 degrees at horizon, 90 degrees overhead):

Approximately 30°.

11. Direction from observer (Angle clockwise from North):

240°

12. Distance from observer (Distance to town, bldg, etc., over which object appeared to be):

3 or 4 miles.

13. Direction of flight of object (s):

South East to South West.

14. Time of sight:

2 or 3 seconds.

15. Speed (time to cover given angular distance):

Very fast - unestimable.

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16. Sound and odor:

None

17. Trail (color, length, width, persistence, etc.)

Long trail of same presistency as main body.

18. Luminosity (visible by reflection, incandescence, other - degree of brilliance):

Similar to photographers flash bulb.

19. Projections (fins, wings, rods, antennae, canopies, etc.):

None

20. Manouvers (turns, climbs, dives, etc. - sketch of flight path):

Straight flight losing altitude.

21. Manner of disappearance:

Gradually faded out.

22. Effect on clouds:

None

23. Additional information concerning object:

None

24. Weather conditions and light at time of sighting:

Clear

Name and address of observer: **Cpl Raymond O. GARCIA**
Pfc Giuseppe Van CHIERI
Co "B", 82nd Ren Bn
2d Armored Divisi
Camp Hood, Texas

Occupation and hobbies:

EM - US Army.

Comments of Interrogator relative to intelligence and character of observer (Check neighbors, police dept., FBI records, employer, etc.):

Fair observers of average intelligence of EM of their grade.

Did observer wear glasses, especially polariod glasses at time of sighting, or was object viewed through canopy, window, or other transparent material? **No.**

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1. Date of Observation 10 Aug 49 Date of Interview 11 Aug 49

2. Exact time of observation (local)(#1-2100)-(#2-2120)-(#3-2215)-(#4-225

3. Place of Observation: Greenville Mt. - Y13.3-658.6
(Map Coordinates)

4. Position of observer (air, car, bldg, location of - give details):
Standing at field force observation post.

5. What attracted attention to object:
Moving light in a clear sky.

6. Number of objects and sketch of formation or grouping:
One at each time indicated in # 2.

7. Apparent size (compare to known object, i.e., sun, moon, thumb or fist at arms length):
Large star.

8. Color of object:
Predominately white followed by orange trail.

9. Shape (give graphic description - compare with known object):
Generally round with trail.

10. Altitude (Angle of elevation above horizon - 0 degrees at horizon, 90 degrees overhead):
40° to 70°

11. Direction from observer (Angle clockwise from North):
(#1-N.E.-40°) (#2-Due North) (#3- N.W. 330°) (#4-N-05°)

12. Distance from observer (Distance to town, bldg, etc. over which object appeared to be):
Great distance - unestimable.

13. Direction of flight of object (s):
1,3,4 & Almost horizontal with slight increase in altitude, # 2 - - Ascended almost vertical.

14. Time of sight:
A second or less.

15. Speed (time to cover given angular distance):
Great speed - unestimable.

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16. Sound and odor:
None

17. Trail (color, length, width, persistence, etc.)
Flame like trail with ragged end.

18. Luminosity (visible by reflection, incandescence, other - degree of brilliance):
As brilliant as a star of the first magnitude.

19. Projections (fins, wings, rods, antennae, canopies, etc.):
None

20. Manouvers (turns, climbs, dives, etc. - sketch of flight path):
# 1, 3, & 4 Horizontal flight with slight gain in altitude, # 2 Almost straight up.

21. Manner of disappearance:
Went out like a light.

22. Effect on clouds:
None

23. Additional information concerning object:
Falling stars were observed in the course of the evening but objects reported on were slower moving.

24. Weather conditions and light at time of sighting:
Clear, moon almost full.

Name and address of observer:
Lt Edwin W. Fibyan
CO - "D" Co., 60th Med Tk Bn
2d Armd Div., Cp Hood, Texas

Occupation and hobbies:
Officer, US Army.

Comments of Interrogator relative to intelligence and character of observer (Check neighbors, police dept., FBI records, employer, etc.):
Excellent observer.

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Did observer wear glasses, especially polariod glasses at time of sighting, or was object viewed through canopy, window, or other transparent material? **None.**

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1. Date of Observation 20 Aug 49 Date of Interview 21 Aug 49

2. Exact time of observation (local) 2035

3. Place of Observation: OP Crossville Mountain 913.3 - 858.6
(Map Coordinates)

4. Position of observer (air, car, bldg, location of - give details):
Standing

5. What attracted attention to object:
Moving light in sky

6. Number of objects and sketch of formation or grouping:
One

7. Apparent size (compare to known object, i.e., sun, moon, thumb or fist at arms length):
Looked like the headlight of an old car in the distance

8. Color of object:
yellow to orange

9. Shape (give graphic description - compare with known object);
No definite shape - just a moving light

10. Altitude (Angle of elevation above horizon - 0 degrees at horizon, 90 degrees overhead):
Straight out from OP - elevation of which is approx. 150 ft above surrounding terrain

11. Direction from observer (Angle clockwise from North):
Due North

12. Distance from observer (Distance to town, bldg, etc., over which object appeared to be):
Initially sighted 1 to 2 miles from observer

13. Direction of flight of object (s):
From North to South passing over Killeen Base.

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14. Time of sight:
1 to 2 seconds

15. Speed (time to cover given angular distance):
60° in 2 seconds

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16. Sound and odor:
None

17. Trail (color, length, width, persistence, etc.)
Very narrow orange trail - 7 or 8 times the length of main object

18. Luminosity (visible by reflection, incandescence, other - degree of brilliance):
Of less intensity than a star

19. Projections (fins, wings, rods, antennae, canopies, etc.):
None

20. Maneuvers (turns, climbs, dives, etc. - sketch of flight path):
Absolutely level flight

21. Manner of disappearance:
Out out in a fraction of a second.

22. Effect on clouds:
None

23. Additional information concerning object:
Fast, over Guard House of XB - and was observed by some one at that insta

24. Weather conditions and light at time of sighting:
Very clear

Name and address of observer:

Lt Ralph H. Schafer
"D" Co, 66th Med Tk Bn
2d Armd Div, Camp Hood, Texas

Occupation and hobbies:
Officer, US Army

Comments of Interrogator relative to intelligence and character of observer (Check neighbors, police dept., FBI records, employer, etc.):
Excellent observer

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Did observer wear glasses, especially polariod glasses at time of sighting, or was object viewed through canopy, window, or other transparent material? NONE

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1. Date of Observation 10 Aug Date of Interview 11 Aug 49
2. Exact time of observation (local) 2010
3. Place of Observation: Observation Post - Grassville Mn.
   (Map Coordinates) 913.3 - 658.6
4. Position of observer (air, car, bldg, location of - give details):
   Standing.
5. What attracted attention to object:
   Moving light.
6. Number of objects and sketch of formation or grouping:
   One
7. Apparent size (compare to known object, i.e., sun, moon, thumb or fist at arms length):
   20 M. M. tracer ammunition.
8. Color of object:
   Predominantly orange with white trail.
9. Shape (give graphic description - compare with known object);
   Rocket.
10. Altitude (Angle of elevation above horizon - 0 degrees at horizon, 90 degrees overhead):
    30°
11. Direction from observer (Angle clockwise from North):
    Due North.
12. Distance from observer (Distance to town, bldg, etc., over which object appeared to be):
    Great distance - unestimable.
13. Direction of flight of object (s):
    North to South.
14. Time of sight:
    3 to 5 seconds.
15. Speed (time to cover given angular distance):
    Very great speed - similar to falling star.

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16. Sound and odor:

None

17. Trail (color, length, width, persistence, etc.)

White trail aprox. 4 times the length of main body.

18. Luminosity (visible by reflection, incandescence, other - degree of brilliance):

Not as brilliant as a star.

19. Projections (fins, wings, rods, antennae, canopies, etc.):

None

20. Maneuvers (turns, climbs, dives, etc. - sketch of flight path):

Traveled in a horizontal flight with a slight arc.

21. Manner of disappearance:

Light gradually diminished and went out.

22. Effect on clouds:

None

23. Additional information concerning object:

Observer did see falling stars but there was no comparison with object mentioned in this report.

24. Weather conditions and light at time of sighting:

Clear.

Name and address of observer:

Sgt Chester F McNair
Hq Co - 12th AIB
2d Armd Div., Cp Hood, Texas

Occupation and hobbies:

NCO - US Army.

Comments of Interrogator relative to intelligence and character of observer (Check neighbors, police dept., FBI records, employer, etc.):

Fair observer, had difficulty describing his observations.

Did observer wear glasses, especially polariod glasses at time of sighting, or was object viewed through canopy, window, or other transparent material? None.

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1. Date of Observation 10 Aug Date of Interview 11 Aug 49

2. Exact time of observation (local) Approx. 2200 & 2230

3. Place of Observation: (Map Coordinates) Greenville Mi. - 913.3-658.6

4. Position of observer (air, car, bldg, location of - give details):

Standing at observation post.

5. What attracted attention to object:

Unusual light in sky.

6. Number of objects and sketch of formation or grouping:

One at a time.

7. Apparent size (compare to known object, i.e., sun, moon, thumb or fist at arms length):

Shooting star.

8. Color of object:

White with yellow trail.

9. Shape (give graphic description - compare with known object);

Oval

10. Altitude (Angle of elevation above horizon - 0 degrees at horizon, 90 degrees overhead):

Approx. 30° above horizon.

11. Direction from observer (Angle clockwise from North):

Generally North

12. Distance from observer (Distance to town, bldg, etc., over which object appeared to be):

1000 - 2500 yards.

13. Direction of flight of object (s):

From South to North, level flight.

14. Time of sight:

1 to 2 seconds

15. Speed (time to cover given angular distance):

300 M. P. H. or faster.

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16. Sound and odor:

None

17. Trail (color, length, width, persistence, etc.)

Long yellow trail - similar to that left by falling star.

18. Luminosity (visible by reflection, incandescence, other - degree of brilliance):

Same brilliance as average star.

19. Projections (fins, wings, rods, antennae, canopies, etc.):

None

20. Maneuvers (turns, climbs, dives, etc. - sketch of flight path):

Almost level flight, possible slight arc.

21. Manner of disappearance:

Faded out.

22. Effect on clouds:

None

23. Additional information concerning object:

Observer did not see any falling stars during the period of observation.

24. Weather conditions and light at time of sighting:

Clear - Large - Moon.

Name and address of observer: 1Lt Floryan L Yakisovics
"D" Co - 66th Med Tk Bn
2d Armored Division, Cp Hood, Texas

Occupation and hobbies:

Officer.

Comments of Interrogator relative to intelligence and character of observer (Check neighbors, police dept., FBI records, employer, etc.):

Observer had difficulty explaining in detail what he saw.

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Did observer wear glasses, especially polaroid glasses at time of sighting, or was object viewed through canopy, window, or other transparent material? None.

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1. Date of Observation 20 Aug 49 Date of Interview 21 Aug 49

2. Exact time of observation (local) 2215

3. Place of Observation: OP Greesville Mountain - 913.3 - 856.6
(Map Coordinates)

4. Position of observer (air, car, bldg, location of - give details):
Standing

5. What attracted attention to object:
Moving light coming toward observer

6. Number of objects and sketch of formation or grouping:
One

7. Apparent size (compare to known object, i.e., sun, moon, thumb or fist at arms length):
Much larger than evening star

8. Color of object:
Light red, diminishing to light yellow

9. Shape (give graphic description - compare with known object);
Round with jagged trail

10. Altitude (Angle of elevation above horizon - 0 degrees at horizon, 90 degrees overhead):
Possible 5000 ft or greater

11. Direction from observer (Angle clockwise from North):
Due North (off the west end of Camp Hood)

12. Distance from observer (Distance to town, bldg, etc., over which object appeared to be):
2 or 3 miles

13. Direction of flight of object (s):
North to South

14. Time of sight:
2 or 3 seconds

15. Speed (time to cover given angular distance):
Same as above

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16. Sound and odor:
None

17. Trail (color, length, width, persistence, etc.)
Object had a yellow trail and it appeared that there was a colored vapor trail
in the sky after the object disappeared

18. Luminosity (visible by reflection, incandescence, other - degree
of brilliance):
Was not very brilliant

19. Projections (fins, wings, rods, antennae, canopies, etc.):
None

20. Maneuvers (turns, climbs, dives, etc. - sketch of flight path):
Straight flight with gradual incline

21. Manner of disappearance:
Cut off like a light

22. Effect on clouds:
None

23. Additional information concerning object:
Object had a jaggered outline, appeared to be burning up and disintergrating
Observer saw falling stars but this object had no comparison to them.

24. Weather conditions and light at time of sighting:
Clear

Name and address of observer:

Cpl Joseph E. Madison
"C" Co 12th AIB
2d Armd Div
Camp Hood, Texas

Occupation and hobbies:
NCO - US Army

Comments of Interrogator relative to intelligence and character of observer (Check neighbors, police dept., FBI records, employer, etc.):
Fair observer

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Did observer wear glasses, especially polariod glasses at time of sighting, or was object viewed through canopy, window, or other transparent material? None
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Subject: OBJECTS SIGHTED OVER OAK RIDGE, TENNESSEE

Attached to this summary are enclosures which clarify and substantiate the information submitted in Summaries of Information, subject as above, dated 25 October 1950, 2 November 1950, and 8 November 1950.

The following is a revised chronological summary of the reported events which have occurred at Oak Ridge, Tennessee, concerning "Objects Sighted Over Oak Ridge, Tennessee."

(Refer to Summaries of Information, "Objects Sighted Over Oak Ridge, Tennessee," dated 13 October 1950, 17 October 1950, 21 October 1950, 2 November 1950, 8 November 1950, and 14 November 1950.)

June 1947.	Mr. W. R. Pressley photographed a flying object at Oak Ridge, Tennessee. The street in the foreground has been identified as Illinois Avenue, Oak Ridge, Tennessee.
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20 June 1949.	At 1900 hours Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Anderson and Mrs. John A. White sighted three objects at Oak Ridge, Tennessee, similar to SUBJECT.
1 - 6 March 1950.	Mr. Stuart Adcock reported peculiar readings on his "Ham" Radar Scope. These objects reappeared at approximately the same time of day which is similar to SUBJECT. (Refer: Summary of Information, Subject; Unidentified Objects Over Oak Ridge Vicinity, dated 6 March 1950.)
12 October 1950.	2325 hours. Knoxville Airport Radar Unit indicated a series of unidentified targets over the "Restricted Zone" at Oak Ridge.
12 October 1950.	234?. Fighter aircraft was at the position of the radar target and made three perfect interceptions but could see nothing.
13 October 1950.	0000-0100 hours. Additional Radar plots as before.
15 October 1950.	Approximately 1400 hours. Major L. E. Ronniger, accompanied by his daughter, heard intermittent noises.
15 October 1950.	151? hours. Fighter plane made unsuccessful passes at a good radar target four (4) miles from the East Boundary (Kerr Hollow Gate).

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECURITY OFFICER, OCAMA

Subject: DAN NELSON, Attorney-at-Law, 926 Perrine Building,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Re: Flying Saucer Mystery Solved.

On 30 July 1947 DAN NELSON was interviewed at his office, 926 Perrine Building, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, relative to his alleged solving of the Flying Saucer Mystery.

Subject, whose age is 53, is at present engaged in practicing law and is the agent for the Dual Parking Meter Company. Subject advised he is married and has two sons, ages seven and ten, residing at 2613 N.W. 14th Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Nelson stated he was a sergeant in World War I, being wounded in action while serving with Company L, 58th Infantry, and that before entering the service he had an eighth grade education. After leaving the service he finished his education and graduated from the University of Oklahoma in 1929. He advised that since 1929 he has practiced general law in both Norman and Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Subject stated he notified the War Department by letter on 19 July 1947, advising them of his discoveries concerning the Flying Saucer Mystery. He received an answer dated 23 July 1947 advising him his letter had been referred to the Air Forces. NELSON stated he heard no more from the War Department as of 29 July 1947, at which time he released his statement to the "Daily Oklahoman," Oklahoma City local newspaper.

Subject advised the basis for his theory concerning the Flying Saucer Mystery was obtained from simple experiments which he conducted while driving his automobile. NELSON stated he believed that many people had seen lights or shining objects cast onto their windshields and side ventilator windows of their automobile and reflected as a saucer or disc shaped object. He stated that the movement of the automobile, plus the fact that the glass was not a perfect mirror and passing objects could be seen in relation to the objects gave them an appearance of great speed.

Subject advised that the vibration of the car gave the objects an appearance of rotating and that the reflections caused them to appear flat or saucer shaped. NELSON stated that any number of objects might be seen according to the direction that the car is traveling and the number of bright objects being reflected onto the window. He further stated that these objects might be seen in an ordinary window in a house according to the lighting

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conditions, and that the objects might be either vertical or horizonal. The subject related that any change in speed of the car resulted in a change in speed of the object, and that changes of direction resulted in a change in the angle of travel of the object.

NELSON stated he has not talked to any persons that had actually seen flying saucers or discs but he believed that these reflections plus the excitement and hysteria caused by other reports has been the basis for most flying saucer reports. Subject also stated that this same theory could be true in relation to flying saucers seen from aircraft.

Attached hereto is a detailed statement by NELSON covering his findings and explaining his solution to the so-called Flying Saucer Mystery.

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KALMAN D. SIMON
C.I., U.S. Army

FLYING SAUCER MYSTERY SOLVED

July 12, 1947.

The most impressive reports of the so-called flying saucers or discs were those from aviators who claim they saw disc-shaped objects flying through the air in various formations at high altitudes and at a high rate of speed. The first report was from an aviator who stated that these so-called flying discs had a somewhat shiny appearance and would fly in formation and change their position from time to time. Most reports stated that they appeared in the late afternoon or about dusk.

Most all reports were to the effect that these objects had the appearance of an inverted disc or saucer, and some of them reported that they appeared to be rotating in their flight.

The mystery of the flying saucers or discs may be solved by the use of a little applied science along with a few simple experiments.

These flying discs or saucers can be observed by any motorist traveling along the highways when the sun is shining on most any afternoon or evening. During the daylight most of these so-called flying discs are reflections from the sun shining upon some bright object in or on the automobile driven by the observer. For instance, if you were driving in a north-westerly direction with the sun shining on the handle of the front or rear door on the left side of the car, you may notice a shiny object appear in the ventilation wing of the window on the drivers left, if it is opened to about a 45° angle.

These shiny objects may have various form and there may be more than one, depending on the number of reflections. They may appear to be in the sky when the driver looks through the ventilation wing glass. Their position in the sky depends upon the angle at which the object is reflected in the ventilation wing and the position of the observer. They may have various forms but very frequently they are of a saucer shape or a flat shape when they appear to be in the sky.

The ventilation wing during day-light is not of course a perfect mirror, therefore, it appears to the driver or observer that he is actually looking through the glass into the sky. As he moves along, the bright objects appear to be traveling at a high rate of speed in comparison with the stationary objects on the ground, or the distant horizon, that he sees through the window, or in comparison with the faintly silhouetted objects on the landscape which at times are reflected in the window.

The flying saucer appears to be traveling in the same general direction as the automobile but sometimes a little to the right which makes it appear that it will eventually cross the drivers path. The apparent flight direction of the saucer is due to the angle of the ventilation wing glass in its relation to the direction in which the car is traveling. The number and position of the saucers reflected in the glass depend upon the number and contour of objects reflected therein by the sun. Bright objects on a car approaching from the rear may cast such reflections on your ventilation wing in the daytime.

If the ventilation wing window were a perfect mirror the objects causing the reflections would appear therein, as well as all other objects within range, but the ventilation wing being a sort of a semi-mirror, does not reflect the object but only the bright spot, which leaves the impression that the observer is actually looking through the glass and that the object actually appears to be in the sky, or at times a long distance away. These results are best obtained in the late afternoon, or after sun down.

The aviators who reported seeing flying discs or saucers, undoubtedly were seeing the reflection of bright objects in or on their own plane. They saw them as reflected in their canopy or wind shield, but failed to recognize them as reflections. Otherwise they were reflections from other air craft.

As the aviator traveled along observing the movement of the disc in comparison with the mountains, clouds or stationary objects on the earth, made them appear to be traveling at a high rate of speed. The sloping angle of the aviators wind-shield and his position in the plane made it appear that the discs were in the sky. The position of the discs also depend upon the position of the observer and the angle at which they are reflected in the glass.

Some of the reports stated that where there were more than one flying disc, they appeared to be fastened together and frequently performed a dipping or rising motion and when one would dip, they would all go through the same motion simultaneously. The simultaneous movement is due to the reflections all coming from the same object. For instance, if they are reflected from some bright object in or on the car or plane, the up and down motion of the car or plane causes the flying discs to appear to be going through a dipping and rising motion, or, if the reflecting object is stationary and the car moving, the results will be the same.

The statement that the discs appeared to be rotating as they sailed through the atmosphere is due to the vibration of the automobile or plane. Vibrations make them appear to be rotating at a very high rate of speed. Vibration is what gives them a flat or disc-like shape also.

If you wish to see some flying discs, make a drive at about dusk or at night, open your ventilation wing window at about a 45° angle from the drivers seat and watch the reflections of the stationary electric lights that appear on your left, if you are driving, after you pass them,and see how many discs you can observe flying through the air. If there are not too many lights to your rear, you may have a perfect formation of beaufiful flying discs which may be red, green or silver according to the color of the electric lights which you have passed. They appear most realistic when traveling about forty-five or fifty miles per hour. If you do not get satisfactory results from your first experiments, try again. After you have learned when and where to look for them, your observations become more pleasing and interesting.

Even the lights of an approaching automobile from your rear may appear as one flying disc in your ventilation wing. The reflections of the approaching lights will appear in your ventilation wing unless the side of your car protrudes out so far as to prevent the light beam from shining on the wing.

These appear best when the approaching car is some distance away, perhaps a quarter or half a mile. The results at night may not be as impressive as those in the late afternoon because at night your ventilation wing window makes a more perfect mirror and the passing landscape is not as pronounced, therefore, the reflections therein are more easily detected as reflections. In the late afternoon, however, you have a feeling that you are actually looking through the glass and the reflected objects appear more real. The sun shining on a bright ring on your finger with your hand resting on the steering wheel may cast disc-like reflections in your wind shield. The form of the reflection will depend upon the ornamental decorations on your ring.

The rear door handle on my automobile reflects nine beautiful, little, silver, flying discs in the bright sun-light. These appear in the lower part of the ventilation wing and when traveling on a level highway, they appear to be racing along with me at the road side. These nine discs appear in a formation of two rows of four each, with the ninth one in the lead at the center of the formation. They appear as whirling propellers in a vertical position. These discs also have streamers which are due to the curveture and decorative pattern on the handle. While traveling north in the early afternoon under a bright sun, these nine discs appeared far below to my left, racing up the valley at a terrific rate.

You may be able to see flying discs in your own home. If you will turn on a small electric light in the hall-way and then look through the window at the other end of the hall, you may see as many as three flying discs from one electric light bulb, which may have more or less of a ball shape. These discs many times appear as inverted saucers, and if you will change your position slowly you will see that they change their position also. These are best observed in the late afternoon or between sun down and dusk, when it appears to you that you are merely looking through the window pane at the discs suspended in the distance. As darkness comes on, the window pane becomes a more perfect mirror and your discs appear as reflections in a mirror.

To watch the discs, through your ventilation wing, sail along with you as you drive through the country, becomes very fascinating, especially if you use a little imagination. It may absorb your thoughts completely, therefore, I would admonish automobile drivers watching the flying discs, to be cautious and not run off the road or into some other car.

Some of the reports on flying saucers, heretofore not explained in this article, such as those reported seeing bright flashes in the sky, were no doubt reflected sun-light from planes. These light beams chanced to cross the line of vision of the observer. They frequently appear very brilliant and may more or less blind the observer for an instant. If the plane is very high it may not be seen by the observer, which may be due to impaired vision or the great height at which the plane is flying. We very often get these same blinding flashes from automobile wind-shields, Many of the reports around July 4th. were incited by various forms of fire works.

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Some reports stemmed from pure imagination or hysteria, while others were deliberate hoaxes. Any other reports can be explained if all the surrounding facts are known.

Most all of the reports and descriptions of the flying saucers coincide so clearly with the findings herein, that there could be no doubt but that we have the correct solution.

The foregoing statement may not be coached in precise scientific terms, and may not be scientifically exact, however, we believe it is so worded that the average layman can understand it and that it is sufficiently correct to prove the proposition.

Personally, I do not believe that the so-called flying saucers or the solution thereof, are of any military value, unless the Government wished to retain this information for the psychological effect upon any potential enemy nation, such as Germany did in regard to their so-called secret weapons during the war.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Mr. Tolson
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: February 10, 1949

FROM : SAC, EL PASO

SUBJECT: PROTECTION OF VITAL INSTALLATIONS
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Reference is made to the letter from the San Antonio Office to the Director, dated 1/31/49. u

On 2/6/49 PAUL RYAN, Office of Special Investigations, Roswell, New Mexico, advised the resident agent at Roswell that he had just left a conference with Dr. LINCOLN LA PAZ, Meteorologist, who has written a letter summarizing the search for the "Unidentified Aerial Phenomena".

RYAN advised that Dr. LA PAZ came to Roswell after one of these objects had been observed by several persons in the Roswell area the night of January 30, 1949 at approximately 6:00 P.M. One of these persons who witnessed the object was an OSI Investigator who stated the object appeared to explode or disseminate (disintegrate) near the Walker Air Force Base at Roswell, New Mexico.

RYAN informed that all of his agents had been searching the area around Roswell, Artesia, Tatum, and Kenna, New Mexico; Amherst, Brownfield, and Lamesa, Texas, where the phenomena had recently been observed. These searches all met with negative results.

Dr. LA PAZ advanced the theory to RYAN that the objects were controlled missiles traveling around the earth at an altitude of approximately 25 miles and at a speed of approximately 15 miles per second. The missile was probably controlled by agents stationed at various intervals who are able to bring the missile down over a designated area and explode it. He stated that Dr. LA PAZ added that he believed the Russians or some other country was practicing with these weapons which carried no war head and were being exploded at an altitude of approximately 10 miles. After the practice period LA PAZ assumed the weapons would be loaded with an atomic war head.

LA PAZ told RYAN that two men whom he interviewed at Kenna, New Mexico, who had observed phenomena which appeared to have disseminated near Tatum, New Mexico, had informed him "nothing will be found". LA PAZ stated he attached significance to the above statement and that the men apparently had some knowledge that the phenomena was not a meteorite.

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RYAN advised his Office would keep this Office informed of any current developments.

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Reurlet 2-10-49.

A review of your referenced letter reflects that Dr. Lincoln La Paz, Meteorologist, indicated to Mr. Paul Ryan, Office of Special Investigations, Roswell, New Mexico, that two men whom he interviewed at Kenna, New Mexico apparently had some knowledge that the "unidentified aerial phenomena" was not a meteorite.

It is believed desirable that you endeavor to ascertain the identity of these two individuals at Kenna, New Mexico and to interview them for any information which they may be able to furnish relative to this matter.

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July 21, 1947

Chief of Army Intelligence
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Sir:

On Sunday, July 20th, I observed an aircraft in flight that was unlike any I have seen to date and may shed some light on the "Flying Saucer Mystery".

I served four years - 1942 to 1946 - with the Army Air Forces in grade of First Lieut. [illegible] assigned to the Third, Fourth and Thirteenth Air Forces respectively. During this time I had the opportunity to observe [illegible] types of aircraft and among all types of conventional [illegible] none like this one.

At 9:45 AM (CST) Sunday July 20th, I observed an airborne object that appeared to me circular or roughly round, light - almost white in color, with a dark area about near its center, flying on a Northeast by East direction on the same route used by Commercial Air Lines between Washington DC and Pittsburg, Pa. The point of observation was approximately 20 miles East of Cumberland, Md. from the North bank of the Potomac River.

The sky was about three fourths (3/4) overcast with those clouds beginning [illegible] 6000 and more feet altitude. There had been [illegible] generally [illegible] attention, but with the approach of the craft in question was a [illegible]

[illegible] that grew steadily in volume until it reached the proportions of a loud roar when the craft was overhead. This sound was not unlike that of a jet propelled plane except the terrific [illegible] was unusually loud.

Due to the overcast condition of the sky I was unable to see the aircraft until it had passed overhead and going [illegible] was [illegible] across a clearing where it was clearly visible for a period of about twenty (20) seconds. The aircraft was above the top-most layer of clouds or somewhere in the vicinity of 12000 ft altitude. At 07:47 AM. (DST) an D.C.4 aircraft passed over going in the same direction and on the same course at about 5000 ft altitude.

The outstanding differences are:

a. The craft was cylindrical or possibly round in shape.

b. It was almost a silver-white in color with a darkness at the center.

c. There was no trail of smoke or [illegible] like the jet.

d. Its speed was about 3 to 4 times greater than the aforementioned DC 4.

e. Its [illegible] compared favorably [illegible] to a baseball held 20 ft from the eye.

The only conclusion I have reached [illegible] the [illegible] a – this is an entirely new type of air craft or

b – It is a high powered jet propelled and with a paint job designed to hide the tail assembly and wing tips, since neither were [illegible].

A check of air craft in this area at the time specified should determine and possibly answer this [illegible].

If possible, I should like very much to know the answer.

[illegible] M. [illegible]

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15 October 1950.	1520 hours. SUBJECT seen at Kerr Hollow Gate by Troopers Rymer and Zarzecki, Mr. Hightower, and Mr. Moneymaker.
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16 October 1950.	1956 to 2004 hours. NEPA Guards, Brown, Herron, and Davis, report peculiar sounds.
20 October 1950.	1655 hours. Visual sighting by Larry P. Riordan, Security Chief, K-10 Plant.
23 October 1950.	1630 hours. Visual sighting made by Francis J. Miller (Geiger counters in the vicinity had unexplainable readings at about this time.)
24 October 1950.	1855 to 1920 hours. Visual sighting of a light by Major Ballweg, Mr. Fray, and the Radar Station.
25 October 1950.	[illegible] hours. Several small, [illegible] [illegible].
26 October 1950.	Robert W. Lassell and five others sighted object from the Knoxville Airport, Knoxville, Tennessee.
5 November 1950.	1155 to 1200 hours. Visual sighting by Don Patrick.
*25 May 1949.	In the vicinity of Loudon, Tennessee, a flat, metallic object, accompanied by "a flapping noise", was seen by five people living in that area.

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List of Enclosures:

1. Statement by Robert F. Myers, Weather Section, Atomic Energy Commission, Oak Ridge, Tennessee, concerning the peculiar sighting on 25 May 1949.

2. Statement by William G. Frey, Security Section, NEPA Division, Atomic Energy Commission, Oak Ridge, Tennessee, concerning "Objects Sighted Over Oak Ridge" on 24 October 1950.

3. Statement by Major Lawrence H. Ballweg concerning "Objects Sighted Over Oak Ridge" on 24 October 1950.

4. Interview with Mr. Don Patrick, Illustrator, NEPA Division, Atomic Energy Commission, Oak Ridge, Tennessee, concerning "Objects Sighted Over Oak Ridge" on 5 November 1950 and a sketch thereof.

5. Certified true tracing copies of the original notes and sketches made by Mr. Don Patrick at the time and place of observation.

6. Interview concerning objects sighted over Knoxville Airport on 29 October 1950.

7. Interview concerning the releases of balloons, the captive Blimp, and other weather data, and the release of radioactive particles in "Argon".

8. Interview with Francis J. Miller concerning "Objects Sighted Over Oak Ridge" on 23 October 1950, and Geiger counter readings in that vicinity.

9. Knoxville Radar Site report concerning "Objects Sighted Over Oak Ridge" on 25 October 1950.

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OBJECTS SIGHTED OVER OAK RIDGE, TENNESSEE

(Refer: Summaries of Information, Subject; as above, dated 13 and 17 October 1950)

Attached to this Summary is eleven (11) inclosures which tend to clarify information contained in the former two (2) Summarries of Information on SUBJECT. These inclosures are composed of witness statements; background information concerning previous sightings of peculiar objects over Oak Ridge; and radar reports. The most reliable sources available were utilized in the compilation of this repor The employment records and the Federal Bureau of Investigation reports concerning the witnesses were inspected to ascertain their reliability, integrity, and loyalt to the United States Government.

The opinions of the officials of the Security Division, AEC, Oak Ridge; Security Branch, NEPA Division, Oak Ridge; AEC Security Patrol, Oak Ridge; FBI, Knoxville; Air Force Radar and Fighter Squadrons, Knoxville; and the OSI, Knoxvill Tennessee, fail to evolve an adequate explanation for SUBJECT, however the possibilities of practical jokers, mass hysteria, ballons of any description, flights of birds (with or without cobwebs or other objects attached), falling leaves, inse swarms, peculiar weather conditions, reflections, flying kites, objects thrown from the ground, windblown objects, insanity, and many other natural happenings have been rejected because of the simultaneous witnessing of the objects with the reported radar sightings; because of the reliability of the witnesses; because of the detailed, similar description of the objects seen by different persons; and because of impossibility.

The trend of opinions seem to follow three patterns of thought. The first is that the objects are a physical phenomenon which have a scientific explanation; the second is that the objects are experimental objects (from an undetermin source) guided by electronics; and the third is similar to the second except that an intended demoralization or harrassment is involved. The fantastic is generally rejected.

These objects have apparently followed only two patterns. The first is that they were sighted at the same hour on two consecutive days and the second is that the time of flight is either to or from the Northeast and Southwest, which directions parallel the terrain ridges in this locality.

Attention is invited to the 1947 photograph of a flying object (inclosur #8). Atomic Energy Commission officials advise that the Air Force Laboratory at Wright Field, Ohio, indicate that the object is a water sport on the photograph. Because this object does not resemble other water spots of the photograph, and because the object in the second photograph is following the dim trail left by the first object, some officials at Atomic Energy Commission question the veracity of

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this statement. They also believe it significant that t.. Air Force did not return the negative of thisprint.

Following is a chronological summary of the reported events which have occurred at Oak Ridge, Tennessee.

June 1947 - Mr. W. R. Pressley photographed a flying object at Oak Ridge, Tenn. The street in the foreground has been identified as Illinois Avenue, Oak Ridge, Tennessee. (Inclosure # 8)

20 June 1949 - At 1900 hours Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Anderson and Mrs. John A. White sighted three objects at Oak Ridge, Tennessee, similar to SUBJECT. (Inclosure #9)

1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, March 1950 - Mr. Stuart Adcock reported peculiar readings on his "Ham Radar Scope. These objects reappeared at approximately the same time of day which is similar to SUBJECT. (Refer: Summary of Information, Subject; Unidentified Objects Over Oak Ridge Vicinity, dated 6 March 1950.)

12 October 1950 - 2325 hours - Knoxville Airport Radar Unit indicated a series of unidentified targets over the "Restricted Zone" at Oak Ridge. (Incl.

12 October 1950 - 234? Fighter aircraft was at the position of the radar target and made three perfect interceptions but could see nothing. (Incl.#

13 October 1950 - 0000 to 0100 hours. Additional Radar plots as before. (Incl.#1)

13 October 1950 hours. Major L. E. Romniger, accompanied by his daughter, heard intermittent noises. (Inclosure # 7)

15 October 1950-151? hours. Fighter plane made unsuccessful passes at a good radar target four (4) miles from the East Boundary (Kerr Hollow Gat (Inclosure # 4)

15 October 1950-1520 hours. SUBJECT seen at Kerr Hollow Gate by Troopers Rymer and Zarzecki, Mr. Hightower, and Mr. Moneymaker. (Inclosures #3,10,

15 October 1950-1520 hours. Radar scopes at McGhee-Tyson Airport indicate unidentified targets. (Inclosure # 4)

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16 October 1950-1455 to 1530 hours. Objects seen by Troopers Isabell, Briggs and Clark. (Inclosures #5 and #6)

16 October 1950-1520 hours. Radar scopes at McGhee-Tyson Airport giving unintelligible readings. (Inclosure # 4)

16 October 1950 - 1956 to 2004 hours. NEPA Guards, Brown, Herron, and Davis Re peculiar sounds. (Inclosure # 7)

Attached to the original only are two Knoxville OSI reports concerning SUBJECT.

CORRECTION on second page of the S/I, Subject as above, dated 13 October 1950, replace the word Oliver Springs for "Sulphur Springs".

SOURCE: Major R. C. Care, Capt. W. Akin, Lt. Clevenger, (Knoxville Radar Site); Lt. Wolf (Pilot of fighter aircraft); Eastern Air Defense Command Representativ Special Agent OSI; Officials of Security Division, Atomic Energy Commission, Oak Ridge, Tennessee; Atomic Energy Commission Security Patrol; Security Troope Rymer, Zarzecki, Briggs, Clark, and Isabell; John Moneymaker; E. W. Hightower; Federal Bureau of Investigation; Officials of Security Branch, NEPA, Oak Ridge, Tennessee.

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OBJECTS SIGHTED OVER OAK RIDGE

(Refer: Summary of Information, Subject: as above, dated 15 Oct 1950.)

On 13 October 1950 Atomic Energy Security Patrol Trooper, Edward D. Rymer, and a caretaker, John Moneymaker, from the University of Tennessee Research Farm, at Oak Ridge, saw an object at about 12,000 to 15,000 feet above Solovay Gate of the "Control Zone." This object appeared to be an aircraft which was starting to make an outside loop, trailing smoke behind. Soon these two men realized that the formerly described smoke behind the aircraft was a tail. This object continued to descend in a controlled dive, much slower than an aircraft would dive, and when it approached the ground it levelled off and flew slowly, parallel to the ground. This object came within two hundred and ten (210) feel of the two observors and was paralleling the ground at approximately the speed that a man could walk, at a height of approximately six (6) feet. Trooper Rymer attempted to approach the object but as he approached the object became smaller and started moving in a southeasterly direction. This object is said to have approached a nine (9) foot cyclone chain link fence and made a controlled movement to clear the fence, then a Willow tree, then a telephone post and wire, after which the object gained momentum and altitude and cleared a hill at approximately one (1) mile away. The object appeared to be pear shaped. When this object was over the hill it was still visible as the same sized object that was observed when only fifty (50) feet away. (The explanation given was that this object grew larger as it gained altitude and speed.)

Approximately five minutes later the object appeared again having reappeared from approximately the same location from which it had disappeared. The object was seen again five mintues later for approximately ten second.

During the above happenings, Mr. John Moneymaker had visual reference of this object during its first slight for approximately seven minutes. Trooper Rymer was interrupted twice during which times he called his headquarters in an attempt to get other observers. Also, during the fantastic flight of this object, Trooper Rymer stopped Mr. E. W. Hightower, who was on the highway in his vehicle, to verify what was being seen. Mr. Hightower's statement substantiates the description as before.

By the time the object appeared the second time, Joe Zarzecki, Capt. of the Atomic Energy Commission Security Patrol, was present and also witnessed this phenomenon.

Each of the observors described the object substantially as follows:

a. When the object was first sighted it appeared to be an aircraft, trailing smoke, or better described as "smoke writing."

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b. When the object was approaching the ground in its descent, it took on the shape of a bullett with a large tail.

c. When the object was sighted on the ground (from approximately two hundred and ten (210) feet) it appeared to be approximately the size of a 2x5 card, with a twenty (20) foot ribbon tail. The object and the tail was alternately moving up and down, and the ribbon appeared to be waving in the breeze. The color was a metallic grey.

d. When Trooper Rymer came within fifty (50) feet of the object he described it similar to the above except that the first two and one-hal feet of the tail appeared more solid, but the last seventeen and one-ha (17½) feet of the tail appeared almost transparent and was glowing, intermittently, in sections. The tail appeared to have four or five sections which would glow intermittently.

Trooper Rymer's record is among the best of the troopers at the Atomic Energy Commission Security Patrol. Mr. JohnMoneymaker holds badge No. UT-1817, and is employed by the University of Tennessee Agricultural Research Farm as a caretaker for small animals. Mr. E. W. Hightower holds badge No. 6633 and is an employee of the Maxon Construction Company.

The Controller, Capt. W. Akin, of Detachment No. 2, 662 AC and W Sqd., McGee-Tyson Airport, P. O. Box 202, Maryville, Tennessee, at the Knoxville Airport Radar Site, made a report that he had seen peculiar readings on the radar scopes at approximately 1520 hours. Apparently the radar picture was indefinite, intermittent, and inaccurate, because the objects sighted by radar would only make a short "painting" on the scope and would then disappear only to reappear at another location.

On 16 October 1950, at approximately 1520 hours, five persons (as yet unkn sighted objects hovering over the K-25 plant at Oak Ridge, Tennessee. Further information and description is expected from these sources. However, the radar scopes at Knoxville Airport were giving an unintelligible reading. Apparently t Commanding Officer was reluctant to make any statement concerning these readings due to higher Headquarters doubting the event of the past few days.

Nevertheless, a fighter aircraft from the 5th Fighter Sqd. was sent to identify an object which was reported to be hovering over K-25. Upon approachi the area the radar equipment aboard the aircraft got an image on its scope and the pilot pursued this image and identified it as a light type aircraft. Ground

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observors state that the fighter plane passed beneath the object which they were observing. The Security Division, Atomic Energy Commission, will attempt to have the observors, or some of the observors, make these same statements while undergoing a poliograph test.

Further information will be submitted as soon as possible as soon as an adequate verification has been obtained.

SOURCE: Atomic Energy Security Patrol Trooper, Edward D. Rymer; John Moneymaker; Joe Zarzecki, Cap. of the Atomic Energy Security Patrol; E. W. Hightower; Officials of the Atomic Energy Commission, Security Division; Major Care, Capt. W. Akin, McGee-Tyson Radar Site.

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OBJECTS SIGHTED OVER OAK RIDGE, TENNESSEE

At 1655 hours, on 20 October 1950, Mr. Larry P. Riordan, AEC Badge No. 522, Superintendent of Security at X-10 in the "Control Zone" at Oak Ridge, Tennessee, while enroute from X-10 to the Oak Ridge residential area, on Benton Valley Road, saw an object in the sky which appeared to be directly over the University of Tennessee Agricultural Research Farm. This object gave the general appearance of an aerial balloon which had lost its "basket." In other words, the object was generally round; appeared to come together at the bottom in wrinkles (rather indistinct), and something was hanging below. The balloon was described as being from eight to ten feel long; of a lead pipe or gunmetal color; and seemed to be approximately one-fourth (¼) mile from the observer, at a thirty (30) degree elevation above the horizon. The object was apparently stationary but since the observer was in a moving vehicle, he did not verify that it was stationary. As the vehicle in which he was travelling changed position, and went around a curve, Mr. Riordan noticed that this object appeared to be thinner. He concludes that by reason of his changing position, or the object changing its altitude, he observed another angle of the object which appeared to be thinner than upon his first sighting.

At the time of the observation there was adequate light and the object was plainly visible. Mr. Riordan is a responsible person, as is indicated by his position, and he has been aware of the many instances of reported objects flying in the sky. He is also very familiar with the weather balloons which are sent up hourly each day over Oak Ridge between 6:00 a.m. of one day until 1:00 a.m. of the next day. The size of these balloons vary but, generally, they are similar to a circus balloon which is about twenty-four (24) inches in diameter. Mr. Riordan is certain the object seen was not a weather balloon but his first impression was that this object was an experimental "gab" being utilized by the University of Tennessee Agricultural Research Farm.

Mr. Riordan has been the Security Chief of X-10 since 14 July 1943. His vision is normal except that he has negligible impairment of the right eye. Like many of the Atomic Energy Commission officials, Mr. Riordan has hoped for the opportunity to see one of these objects, and under the circumstances, he visualized it as accurately as possible.

At 1845 hours, on 24 October 1950, Mr. William B. Fry, Assistant Chief of Security, NEPA Division, Oak Ridge, Tennessee, while attending a Drive-in theater with his wife and child, at Oak Ridge, noticed an object in the sky North-Northwest of his position, at a thirty (30) to forty (40) degree,

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elevation. This object was moving gently in a horizontal plane, back and forth, within thirty (30) degrees of his line of sight. This object emitted a glow, varying in color from red to green, to blue-green, to blue, and to orange. The variations were checked on the vertical window post of Mr. Fry's vehicle and were witnessed by Mr. Fry's wife. The attention of another observer, the Projectionist at the Drive-in theater, was also called to the object and verification of this sighting was made. The object disappeared from his sight at 1920 hours.

At 1855 hours, on 24 October 1950, an Air Force Major, Lawrence Ballweg, NEPA Division, Oak Ridge, Tennessee, also saw from his residence an object which he described similarly. The object disappeared from the sight of Mr. Ballweg at 1920 hours, which coincides with the time of disappearance of the object from Mr. Fry's sight.

On 20 October 1950, at 1527 hours, aircraft No. AF-409, Pilot Wolf, 5th AW-Fighter Sqd., took off from the Knoxville Airport for a "local patrol". The Radar Unit at Knoxville Airport received readings on their Radar scope and sent the aircraft after these targets. The aircraft Pilot was unable to identify any flying object in the vicinity of the said targets. All targets were between eighteen (18) and twenty-five (25) miles from the Airport at 320 degrees. The aircraft was landed at 1713 hours. (Attention is invited to the fact that these targets were sighted at approximately the same time, and locality, that was reported by Mr. Larry Riordan.)

On 24 October 1950, at 1823 hours, several small, slow targets were seen on the Radar screen at the Knoxville Airport Radar Site. These targets appeared in the Southeast sector of the "Restricted Flying Zone" and over the city of Oak Ridge. These targets moved from the city area to and along the East boundary of the area. At 1826 hours, the fighter aircraft was "scrambled" and proceeded to the area where it was vectored among the targets but the pilot reported no visual contact with said targets. At 1920 hours the targets disappeared from the Radar Screen and the fighter was vectored toward another target believed to be one of three (3) aircraft enroute from Andrews Field to Stewart Field. (Note: 1920 hours is also the time that the object sighted by Mr. Fry and Major Ballweg disappeared from their view).

(Overall evaluation: C-3)

SOURCE: Mr. Larry P. Riordan, Security Superintendent, X-10; William M. Price, OSI, Knoxville, Tennessee; Mr. George Rathman, Security Division, AEC, Oak Ridge, Tennessee; and Major Raymond C. Care, USAF Area Defense Commander, Knoxville Airport, Knoxville, Tennessee.

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OBJECTS SIGHTED OVER OAK RIDGE, TENNESSEE:

On 26 October 1950, at approximately 500 hours, Col. Edwin W. Thompson, 0-340795, Camp Stewart, Georgia, heard a noise which he described as "similar to Jet aircraft blast". This noise was intermittent and continued for several moment Col. Thompson was on the turnpike at Oak Ridge for a morning walk at the time, and he believed that this noise was being emitted from a factory in the near vicinity. Although he was aware of some of the facts concerning "Objects Sighted Over Oak Ridge" during the past two weeks, he still did not contribute this as pertinent.

NOTES: Col. Thompson is unfamiliar with Oak Ridge, having arrived for the first time there on 25 October 1950. His description coincides with that of Major L. E. Ronniger who heard a similar noise on 17 October 1950, and also coincides with the description of the noise heard by Guards S. R. Brown, H. C. Harris, George R. Davi between the hours of 1950 and 2004 hours on 16 October 1950.

On 23 October 1950, at 1630 hours, Mr. F. J. Miller at the X-10 plant, Oak Ridge, Tennessee, saw an object generally referred to as "the flying saucer". He stated that this object was at an altitude of approximately 1000 feet. The speed of the object was not determined.

The following is an article printed in the Clinton Courier-News, dated 26 October 1950:

"Anderson county finally got into the act.

"After two years of reports from all over the nation concerning flying saucers, and after writers have made scads of money arguing the authenticity of flying discs back and forth and up and down, one of the "ships from Mars" has at last been reported as seen in Anderson county.

"This saucer was seen about a week ago in the Oak Ridge area. Just what day no one knows - or will tell. However, the saucer was reported by Jay Moneymaker, an Oak Ridge worker who lives near Edgemoor Bridge, an Oak Ridge guard and another unidentified man. The three men saw it hovering, flying, crouching or something over the area at Oak Ridge, they said.

"Moneymaker isn't talking, however. His family isn't talking. In fact the whole neighborhood is making like a bunch of professional clams. Other than to say he saw "something," he is saying nothing. His family also says he saw "something," but nothing more. The neighbors just say nothing.

"This modesty of Moneymaker, his family and his neighbors is reportedly the result of a visit one night recently from several species of intelligence officers from heaven knows where.

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OBJECTS SIGHTED OVER OAK RIDGE, TENNESSEE (continued)

"The intelligence-officer reports that leaked out, however, state that the disc was large and that smoke was coming from it. There was no report as to whether the smoke was black, white or lavender blue. The same reports also indicated that the objects came close to the ground and that the men were unmistaken in their identity of it.

"No one will even say whether it was day or night, whether it was raining or the moon was shining when the three men happened to look up. However, Moneymaker works the day shirt."

NOTES: Neither of the incidents mentioned in this summary were verified by Radar screen sightings at McGhee-Tyson Airport, Knoxville, Tennessee.

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19 October 1950

The following accounts of activity at the Radar Operations Section, of Detachment # 2, 662nd AC & W Squadron, McGhee-Tyson Airport, Knoxville, Tennessee, is extracted from their official report dated 13 October 1950. Other pertinent information was submitted in a previous Summary of Information, Subject: Objects Sighted Over Oak Ridge, Tennessee, dated 13 October 1950.

"The first target, H-47 at 2325 E.S.T., 12 October 1950, appeared as per diagram (Inclosure #2). Then in rapid succession, we had H-48, H-49, and H-51 appear.

"Called AEC; they had no report of an Aircraft at this time --2325.

"Called Atlanta; they had no flight plans on anything coming from the North.

"Arrow (Fighter Aircraft) airborne at 2339 E.S.T. and vectored on 290 degrees, Angels (altitude) 2500. There were three perfect intercepts on the scope on H-48, but no joy (Fighter aircraft made no contact). Height Finder gave approximate angels of target at 3000. These angels varied from 1500 to 5000 feet on various targets throughout the evening. One intercept of H-48 was 14 miles at 270 degrees and from a stern approach; no joy.

"Pulled fighter off this target and sent him back into area at angels 5000. He made complete sweep of area and saw nothing.

"Notified Radar Maintenance, who checked the operation of the Radar and switched channels.

"By this time all targets had faded and area was clear. We steered Arrow back to base and he pancaked (landed) at 0014, E.S.T., 13 October 1950.

"Very shortly after pancake, various targets again appeared through the area. They gave good paints (images) on the Radar Scope) but faded completely at times and then would reappear.

"AEC still had no report for us, but had alerted all guards and were beginning to get searchlights out in case they were needed.

"We did not report these additional plots to Nobody (Call sign for Air Defense Command Control Center, Selfridge Field, Ala.) until 0100. Called Captain Summers at this time and explained that the same Rat Race (activity on the radar scope) had started again. He knew of no practice mission by higher headquarters but said he would call EADF (Eastern Air Defense

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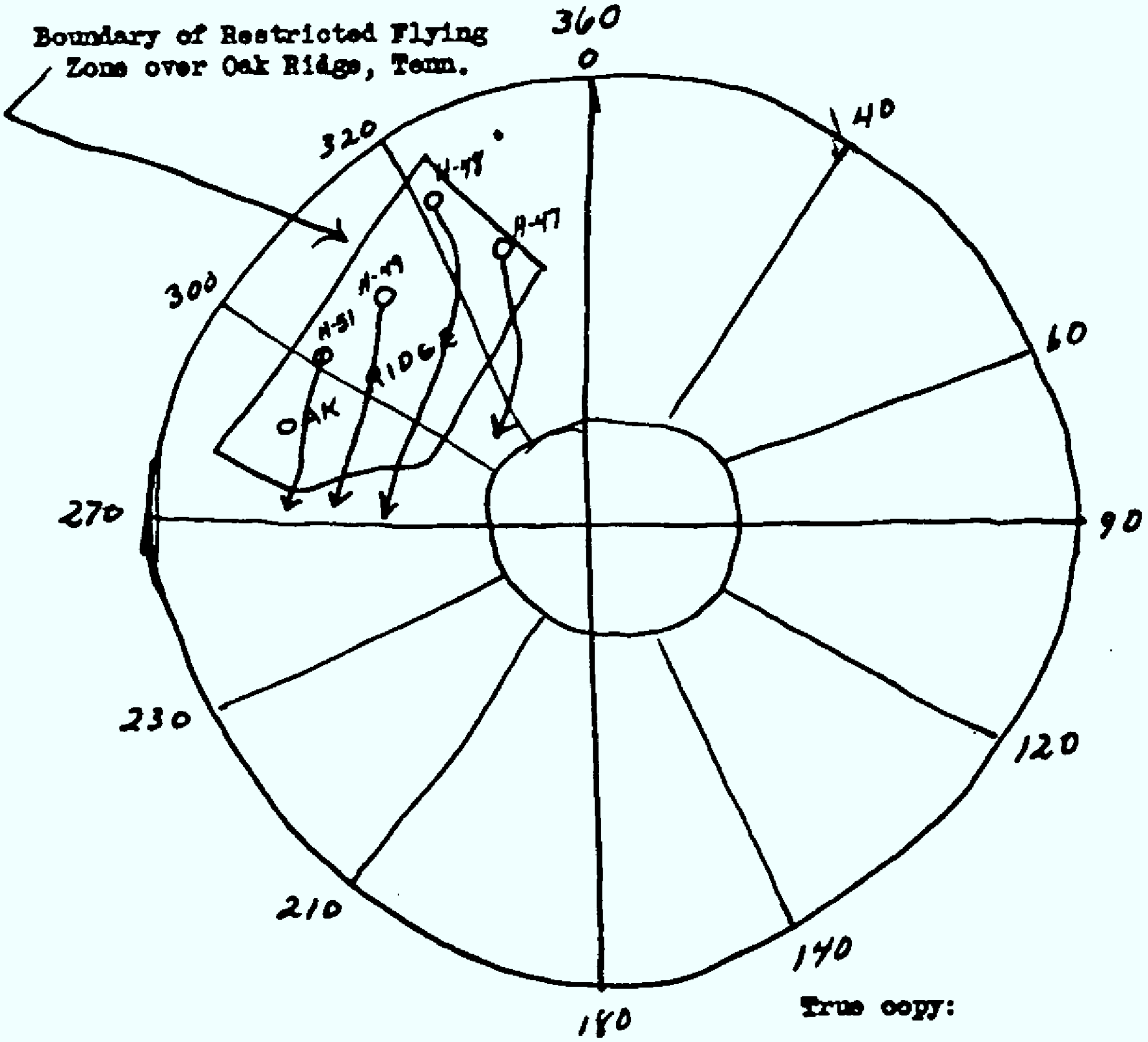
These objects appeared to be A/C small, traveling between 100-125 mph. AEC was notified but their guards didn't see a thing. 2339 E.S.T. our fighter was airborne to intercept H-48. Pass directly over one target. Pilot couldn't spot a thing. These targets appearing along the N.W. corner. One at a time. Some were very strong echoes. Tracked from 15 to 20 minutes.



Boundary of Restricted Flying Zone over Oak Ridge, Tenn.

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120
140
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300
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H-48
H-47
H-49
H-51
OAK RIDGE

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Description of object seen by Atomic Energy Commission Security Patrol Tre
Edward D. Rymer; who approached the object as close as Fifty (50) feet, at abou
1520 hours on 15 October 1950, is substantially as follows: When first seen a
an estimated altitude of twelve (12) to fifteen (15) thousand feet, the object
appeared to be an aircraft starting to "skywrite". The "Streamer" left behind
estimated to be approximately one-fourth (¼) of a mile long. The object then
started a controlled descent, almost vertical, at a slower speed than an aircra
would dive, and the "tail" followed the object. "It" then appeared to take the
shape of a large bullet with a streamer, or ribbon, as thick as the bullet, tra
ing in the path of the object but connected to it. The object then levelled of
parallel to the horizon, decreased its speed, and passed within seventy (70) ya
of Rymer and another observer whom Rymer had stopped (John Moneymaker). Rymer
reported via telephone that this object was a "falling object". As the object
decreased its speed to less than a mans normal walk, Rymer attempted to approac
the object, but when he got within fifty (50) feet of it, the object moved towa
the Southeast at about six feet altitute above the terrain; made almost a
mechanical maneuver to go over a nine (9) foot cyclone chain link fence; then
another similar maneuver to pass over a willow tree and a telephone line; and
finally gained altitude and speed and went over a hill about one mile distance.

When Rymer was within fifty (50) feet of the object it appeared to be a tw
(2) by five (5) card (similar to the ones issued to vehicles entering the "Cont
Zone" at Oak Ridge) with a twenty (20) foot ribbon tail, the first two feet of
which were easily visible and the last eighteen (18) feet of which was almost
transparent and divided into several sections. The sections of the tail would
pulsate a dim "glow" alternately. Through the entire length of the tail, was a
black line which might be described as a "wire". The entire color was bluish-g
similar to the color of the top of a "wood cooking range". The "body" of the o
was gently moving up and down, and the tail waved in the breeze like a ribbon o
a worm and followed the path of the "body" of the object. There was no breeze
at the time! (Knoxville Airport reports a high breeze of eight (8) miles per
hour). Further, from fifty (50) feet away, the object looked no bigger than it
did from two hundred and ten (210) feet away, and when it disappeared over the
hill, one (1) mile away, it still looked the same size that it had appeared at
only fifty (50) feet, but the "body" was then "bladder" or "pear-shaped".

When questioned further, Rymer stated that the object had to change size
from the time they first observed it until it came near the ground; and it had
get larger as it went over the hill or they would not have been able to see it
such distances.

The object appeared two more times within the next ten (10) minutes and
Rymer was able to get two other observers to verify that they could see the sam
"thing".

The three observers, other than Rymer, [redacted]

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and Joe Zarzecki, Captain of the AEC Security Patrol, Oak Ridge, Tennessee. At no time were any noises from this object heard.

AGENTS NOTES: Mr. George Rathman, AEC Security Division, stated that all these persons' description of the object was substantially the same when questioned separately, except that Rymer had been the closest and was the only person to report the transparent portion of the "tail". [redacted] stated substantially the same except that he did not see the transparent portion of the "tail". b6

b6 [redacted] was wearing his glasses at the time and his vision, with glasses, is 20/20 in the right eye, and 20/30 in the left eye. Rymer's vision is 20/20 in both eyes without glasses.

Rymer's record indicates that he is one of the "better" and most respected troopers on the AEC Security Patrol. Nothing in his record indicates any weaknesses or peculiar inclinations.

Rymer stated that he would not have reported this incident if there had not been a witness. Moneymaker was reluctant to give information because of the fantastic nature of the incident.

Captain Zarzecki saw the object for only a moment on its third appearance and stated that the object appeared to be round as it crossed the sky at a high rate of speed.

NOTES: The above information was obtained on 16 October 1950 from interviews with Trooper Edward D. Rymer; [redacted]; George Rathman, Security Division, Atomic Energy Commission; John S. Davis, Chief of Atomic Energy Commission Security Patrol; and Captain Joe Zarzecki. b6

In addition, the Atomic Energy Commission Security Division took Geiger counters to the scene of the incident but could get no reading.

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FIELD AREA OFFICE # 8
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18 October 1950

The following accounts of activity at the Radar Operations Section of Detachment # 2, 662nd AC & W Squadron, McGhee-Tyson Airport, Maryville, Tennessee, is extracted from their official report, dated 15 October 1950. (Refer: Summary of Information, Subject; Objects Sighted Over Oak Ridge, Tennessee, dated 13 October 1950):

"Prior to this report, (report by AEC patrolman Edward Rymer) we had a reccurance of targets like Thursday night (Midnight 12 - 13 October 1950). We had sent one scramble (flight of aircraft) out and made several good passes at one target which painted (imaged on Radar Scope) very well. It was on a heading of 180 degrees (Magnetic compass heading) and approximately 4 (four) miles inside the Eastern boundary of the area (Restricted flying space where other aircraft are not supposed to fly). Our fighter worked from 2500 to 5000 feet but saw nothing. The speed of these targets varied from 40 to 100 miles per hour. Every characteristic was the same as before except that the speed was slower.

There was nothing on the scope (Radar Scope) at the location of this strange object (the location was called in by telephone from ground observers at Oak Ridge).

The strange visitor was reported to Captain Cole at Nobody (Call sign for Air Defense Command Control Center, Selfridge Field, Ala.) who carried through to EADF (Eastern Air Defense Command). Their orders were to put a patrol over the area, which was done.

Lt. Gutherie, operating under my control and later Captain Duffy's, saw nothing in the area except one large flock of birds, which were painting (giving images on the Radar Scope). He estimated their number between 200 and 300. This was at 7000 feet. His patrol up until 1730 E.S.T., when I left duty, ranged from a low level pass over the gates to 7000 feet.

He was vectored after several well painted targets, but saw nothing.

EADF sent a list of questions to be answered by the observers. These answers were forwarded. They concerned speed, time, sky, and terrain conditions, altitude, when smoke disappeared, etc."

This report was signed by Captain William Akin, Controller at the Radar Site, at the time of these occurrences.

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/s/ Wm B. Gray
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FORM OR-514 Incident Report
(April 1950) AEC PATROL

CAUTION

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Closed:	Incident Report No. 1424-50
Date:	
By:	Date 10-16-50
W.R.:	
N.R.:	Time 1:30 p.m.

CLASSIFICATION	TROOPER	LOCATION
Flying Object	John L. Isabell	Blair Gate

PERSON INVOLVED	BADGE NO.
Trooper Lendelle Clark	212
Trooper Hand N. Briggs	156

REMARKS:

At approximately 1:30 P.M., October 16, 1950, while working at Blair Gate, I saw an object in the air over K-25 traveling in a northeast direction from the southwest. It was traveling in a straight line and going very fast. The object was white or silvery in color and round like a ball and was about the size of a baseball as seen at the distance it was from me. It seemed to be very high.

At exactly 2"55 P.M., October 16, 1950, this object reappeared from the northeast at a considerably lower altitude and traveling a lot slower than before. It stopped a car that was coming in the gate in order to have witnesses to what I saw. The occupants of the car were Troopers Lendelle Clark and Hank N. Briggs going in to work. I pointed out the object to Troopers Clark and Briggs and we watched the object for several minutes. This object was slowly circling in a wide circle and spinning very fast, that is, the object itself was spinning around and around. The object drifted toward the southwest and in just a few minutes it reappeared at a very high altitude going back into the northeast and going very fast. We watched the object disappear into the northeast.

This information was phoned in to Headquarters immediately by the undersigned. About fifteen minutes after the object disappeared into the northeast, an F-82 Fighter plane showed up in the area where the object was last seen but appeared to be thousands of feet lower than the object which Troopers Clark, Briggs, and the undersigned saw and reported.

/s/ John L. Isabell, Trooper
Oak Ridge Patrol Force

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19 October 1950

The "Contract Guards" who guard the building at the NEPA project were warned by the NEPA Security Section to report any peculiarity, regardless of how silly or fantastic it might seem. These guards were unaware of the previous events concerning objects seen over Oak Ridge, but some of the guards had reported peculiar sounds during the evening of 16 October 1950.

Independent reports from different guards were received by the Security Section, NEPA, Oak Ridge. These reports were submitted by Guards S. R. Brown; H. C. Herron; and George R. Davis. They all stated substantially the same and described hearing an intermittant noise resembling the blast of a Jet Fighter Aircraft. Each noise lasted for about three and one half ($3\frac{1}{2}$) seconds and would recur frequently between 1956 hours and 2004 hours on 16 October 1950. Each noise would sound like a jet plane which had increased its thrust tremendously. The sounds seemed to leave the vicinity making an ascent almost vertical. None of the guards could see an object in the sky.

On 17 October 1950, Major L. E. Ronniger, Sr. Instructor, ORC Group, Oak Ridge, Tennessee, returned from Nashville, Tennessee, and visited an official of the Security Division, Atomic Energy Commission, Oak Ridge, Tennessee. Major Ronniger was amused when informed of the fantastic sights that some of the persons at Oak Ridge had seen but then he recalled an incident which he thought was not connected to the "Objects Sighted over Oak Ridge." After having been away from Oak Ridge during Monday and Tuesday, the 16th and 17th of October 1950, and without knowledge of the occurrences which had taken place except for the item about which he was being told (which had to do with visual sightings of the object), Major Ronniger stated that he had heard a noise at about 1500 hours on 15 October 1950 which he described exactly as the guards who heard the noise on the night of 16 October 1950. Major Ronniger, accompanied by his daughter, attempted to locate a jet fighter in the sky but could see nothing whatever.

The Radar crew of Detachment # 2, 662nd AC and W Squadron, McGhee-Tyson Airport, Knoxville, Tennessee, did not get an image on their scope during either of these occurrences, according to Major R. C. Care.

NOTES: The above information was obtained on 17 October 1950 from Major L. E. Ronniger; Mr. George Rathman, Security Division, Atomic Energy Commission, and Mr. Gene Gaedjon, NEPA, Oak Ridge, Tennessee, and John S. Davis, Atomic Energy Security Patrol/

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The attached photographs were taken in June 1947 by [redacted] of what he thought was a fantastic flying object. The first photograph, in which only the smoke trail is visible, was taken a few minutes before the second photograph where the flying object is in view.

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On 19 October 1950, [redacted] stated that this object was traveling in the same line of flight as the first object, and its distance appeared to be approximately over the hills in the background.

NOTE: Only one set of photographs is available.

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20 October 1950

The following is extracted from the files of the Security Patrol, Atomic Energy Commission, Oak Ridge, Tennessee. This report was originally an OSI report:

"3. At 1900 hours, 20 June 1949, [redacted] [redacted], stated that at approximately 1200 hours, 19 June 1949, they sighted three unidentified objects flying from the southeast, over Oak Ridge, Tennessee. [redacted] first sighted the objects and called [redacted] attention to them. They watched the objects until they came into closer view. They described two of the objects as being rectangular in shape, and identical. The third object was described as circular in shape, and flying either in between or slightly above the two rectangular objects. The two rectangular objects appeared to be flat and flexible. The third object was flat but did not have a flexible appearance. The rectangular objects in traveling, followed a wave-like course, and appeared to be dark in color underneath, and of bright metal finish on top. Their movements were coordinated, and their reflection in traveling was light and dark. The rectangular objects seemed to have an area of from four to ten square feet. The circular object was described as being the color of frosted glass. This third object did not follow the wave-like movement of the rectangular objects, but maintained a level flight. There was no noise to indicate how these objects were being propelled. They remained in view from 10 to 15 minutes after being sighted, and when last seen were traveling in a northwest direction. During this time the objects did not appear to either gain or loose altitude. The weather was clear with the exception of high scattered cumulus clouds, and the wind which was from an easterly direction was very slight.

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"4. At 2000 hours, 20 June 1949, [redacted] [redacted], stated that [redacted] her neighbor, called her attention to the three flying objects sighted by the Andersons at approximately 1200 hours, 19 June 1949, and that she watched them for approximately 10 minutes. Mrs. White's description and details regarding the objects were the same as Mr. and Mrs. Anderson's.

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"5. The witnesses of these objects are reputable people, and their statements are considered reliable. [redacted]

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A. L. Rydzewski, Acting Assistant Chief, Security Division

REPORT OF MYSTERIOUS FLYING OBJECT

SYMBOL: S:AIR

Pursuant to receipt of a report from John S. Davis, Chief, Oak Ridge Patrol, indicating that a mysterious flying object was observed in the vicinity of the Kerr Hollow Entrance, [redacted] was interviewed by F. P. Callaghan, Acting Chief, Security Division, AEC, ORO, in the presence of A. L. Rydzewski, Security Division, ORO, and Charles Jones, Security Agent, Maxon Construction Company, at approximately 10:15 p.m., October 15, 1950. b6 Hightower is an electrician employed by the Edenfield Electric Company, which is under subcontract with the Maxon Construction Company, performing work at the K-29 Plant. [redacted]

[redacted] gave the following account of his observations. He was driving to work at approximately 3:15 p.m., October 15, 1950, and upon nearing the Kerr Hollow entrance to the Oak Ridge Controlled Area, he was requested by the guard on duty to stop and observe an object which the guard and another civilian were looking at. He got out of the car and noticed a white spot in the sky. He said it was "awful high" and moved from a position southeast of Kerr Hollow entrance in a westerly direction toward the Plant Areas. He noted that the sky was clear and the object was merely white, not shiny and emitted no trail of smoke and appeared to have no appendages. He observed the object for about 5 minutes and continued on his way to work before the white object disappeared from sight.

When asked what he thought of the object, [redacted] related that his first impression was that it might be a toy ballon, because it looked quite similar to a toy ballon which one of the neighbor-hood girls b6 had released in his presence several weeks ago. [redacted] was not sure of the size of shape of the object, however he indicated by hand gesture that it might have been about 9 inches in diameter and probably was in the shape of a disc or ball.

b6 [redacted] said that the guard and civilian appeared to be excited and told him that when they first saw it, the object was "Quite big" and that it moved along the road at very low altitude and that it suddenly ascended at an angle to the point where they were observing it at the time. He stated that the guard originally asked him to look at the object, just to make sure that he wasn't merely imagining he was seeing things.

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[redacted] stated that as far as he knows his eye-sight is good and that he only had to use glasses for reading purposes. He had his eyes tested about 4 years ago by [redacted], at which time the reading glasses were prescribed. He also had taken a pre-drivers license eye test about 3 weeks ago at the Maxon First Aid Station. b6

b6 [redacted] stated that the only other person to whom he mentioned seeing the object was a guard stationed at Gate Two to the K-29 Plant.

Note: The Maxon Guard was later identified as being Jack Larton, who was interviewed at approximately 11:15 p.m. Larton stated that a man was driving through the portal shortly after 3:00 p.m. and stopped to chat with him for about 5 minutes. The man [redacted] stated that he had a headache and that he had been observing an object in the sky which was called to his attention by a guard at the Kerr Hollow entrance. According to Larton, the man further related that the object was so high he didn't know what it was, but it looked more or less like a toy ballon. Larton stated that he was not excited by this report; however he did mention something about flying objects to a fellow guard about two hours later when they observed aircraft which they believed were P-38's flying over the plant areas. b6

Note: Other individuals who had observed the object were identified as AEC Patrolman Edward Dean Rymer and [redacted]

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FIELD AREA OFFICE #8
P. O. Box 379
Knoxville, Tenn.

Incident Report

AEC PATROL

Incident report No. 142-50
Date: October 15, 1950
Time: 3:25 P.M.

Classification	Trooper	Location	
Unidentified Flying Object	E. D. Rymer	Kerr Hollow	
Person Involved	Address	Badge No.	Company
Trooper E. D. Rymer		206	"D" Troop
Person Involved	Address	Badge No.	Company
Capt. J. J. Zarzecki			
[redacted] b6		[redacted]	b6

John Moneymaker stopped at Kerr Hollow gate where I was on duty October 15, 1950, 3:20 P.M. He and I observed what appeared to be a skywriter in the air. He was one-quarter of the way through a letter "O". The object appeared to be 12,000 to 15,000 feet high and east by north of the gate, approximately one mile distance from the gate. At this time, the size appeared to be about the size of a four or five passenger plane. The object had a smoke trail the same crosssectional size of its body and about one-quarter of a mile long. The smoke was grayish in color. The color of the body of the object was silver metallic. The object gave off no reflection. It was dull in appearance. When first observed, it was describing an arc toward the ground. When the object failed to complete the outside loop, I went into the gate house to report its appearance. Up till this time I thought it to be a plane doing some skywriting. While I was making the phone call, [redacted] watched the object continue downward to 1,500 feet. At that altitude, a second object was noticed alongside the smoke trail. b6 The second object was the same size and shape and was about 50 feet behind the first object. The second object appeared to be attached to the first object's smoke trail with about an 80 degree forward thrust, yet the second object was moving in the same direction of the first object and not drawing away from the smoke trail of the first object the way it should have been doing according to its angle and direction. At this altitude, both objects changed from a bullet shape to a bladder shape. Also, at 1500 feet both objects began pulling out of the vertical dive. During the entire descent, both objects diminished in size. From 1,500 feet, the angle of descent was about 45 degrees. At about 500 feet, the second or trailing object disappeared. The object continued downward to a point north of the perimeter fence over the roadway about 60 yards from the gatehouse toward Solway bridge. This was where the object was when I came out of the gatehouse. At this time, the object had diminished to about 2x5 inches.

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The smoke trail had discontinued but there was a tail that had the appearance of a ribb about 5 or 6 feet long. At times the tail lengthened to almost 20 feet. While hoverin it had a burnt or dark brown appearance. The tail had an opalescent grayish appearance with a dark line running down through the center of it. The main object was still gra metallic in color. The object was hovering about 5 or 6 feet above the road in a completely stationary position. I went toward the object and the object started moving southward as I moved toward it. When I got to within 50 feet of it, the main object w about 4 to 6 feet from the chain link fence on the south side of the road. It moved straight up to about 12 feet then described a horizontal movement southward across the fence, then it again moved straight up to about sixty feet where it again moved south over a light pole and a willow tree. After it passed over the willow tree, it changed its direction to the southeast. At this time, [redacted] b came along and I stopped him and asked him to observe it. He was unable to see the object at first and I returned to the gatehouse to make anothe report. [redacted] continued his observation of the object and soon after I went into the gatehouse, Hightower sighted the object. The object was now ascending at an angle about 45 degrees in a southeast direction. As it moved away, it got larger in size and again assumed a pear or bladder shape. The object continued in this manner until it ha passed over the ridge south of Solway road and disappeared.

About five minutes later, Capt. Zarzecki drove up and as he came down the road I remark that I wished it would show up again so he could see it. We looked toward the ridge and saw it again. The object was moving from west to east about 8 or 9 feet above the field south of the fence. Its speed was about 15 to 20 miles per hour. I motioned for Capt. Zarzecki to hurry out of his car. He came over to where we were standing on the first island from the gatehouse. Capt. Zarzecki looked to where I pointed and saw the object immediately. At this time, the object was about 200 feet high and ascending at about 45 degrees in a southeast direction. We saw it for about 60 seconds before it disappeared at about 1,500 to 2,000 feet. It had a bladder or pear shape at this time.

In about five more minutes, [redacted] b6 and I saw it again about 20 degrees above the center island house. It had pear shape again and appeared to be about the same size as a small pear. The object was moving west at about 20 miles per hour. It continued west about 50 feet above the road until we lost it in the glare of the sun. This was the last time it appeared. None of us noticed any odor at any time.

When I first saw the object diving, its speed was very slow. It was much slower than a plane could dive. On the 45 degree downward slant, it slowed even more. When it moved across the road, the speed was about 15 miles per hour. During the upward slant, the speed was much faster than the downward slant and it must have been increasing in size because as it drew away, we could see it just as plainly and about the same size as when observed up close.

The wind direction was north-northwest and 8 MPH, according to the Knoxville Weather Station.

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By: /s/ Wm. B. Gray
SAC, Knoxville

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

FROM : SAC, Knoxville

DATE: October 18, 1950

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SUBJECT: RADAR DETECTION OF UNIDENTIFIED OBJECTS OVER OAK RIDGE, October 12, 15, 16, 1950
PROTECTION OF VITAL INSTALLATIONS

Remytel October 13, 1950.

There is being submitted herewith a copy of two reports made by District Representative of the OSI, 8th District, U. S. Air Force, with regard to the detection of unidentified objects by the means of radar, as set forth in referenced teletype. These reports continue to set forth additional reports concerning unidentified objects in the air space area over Oak Ridge, Tennessee, which to date have not been explained.

No investigation is being conducted by the Knoxville Office in this matter, but any further information received from OSI or from CIC representatives will be forwarded immediately.

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KNOXVILLE DETACHMENT
8th District OSI (IG)
PO Box 401
Knoxville, Tennessee

14 October 1950

SUBJECT: Unidentified Flying Objects over Oak Ridge, Tennessee

TO: District Commander
8th District OSI (IG)
Maxwell AFB, Ala.

This letter is to confirm spot report given your headquarters on 13 October 1950.

Beginning at 2325, EST 12 October 1950 a total of eleven (11) objects and possibly more appeared on the radar screen of the CPS-1 Air Force Radar Station at McGhee-Tyson Airport, Knoxville, Tennessee. The objects began appearing on the north edge of the Oak Ridge controlled area and proceeded south for about twenty (20) to thirty five (35) miles at the rate of 100 to 125 mile per hour, at an altitude of 1000 to 5000 feet, on a course of 170 to 230 degrees and with densities varying from that of light liaison aircraft up to that of a C-47 type aircraft. [redacted] b
[redacted], controller at the radar station, "scrambled" an F-82 fighte at 2330 and the fighter was airborne at 2339. [redacted] vectored the plane on two (2) specific targets on stern approaches at distances of one (1) and eight (8) miles respectively. On each occasion the fighter appeared to intercept the target on the ground radar screen; however, on each occasion the crew of the fighter observed no target either visually or on their airborne radar screen. The aircraft returned to the airport at 0014.

After the sighting of the unidentified targets the Oak Ridge Security Patrol was alerted and attempts at ground observations were made; however, nothing could be seen or heard from the ground. At 0100 more objects, having the same readings as previously, appeared on the screen. On this occasion no attempt at fighter interception was made. Ground observation results in the Oak Ridge area were negative.

During the above sightings Eastern Air Defense Force Headquarters was notified and checked for possible flights in the area. Checks were also made with flight service at Atlanta and Maxwell AFB. All checks proved negative.

On the afternoon of 13 October 1950 the undersigned accompanied officials of the Security Division Atomic Energy Division and the Knoxville CIC office to the radar station where a conference was held with officers of the radar station and a team of radar experts from Eastern Air Defense Headquarters. Numerous explanation such as flocks of migratory birds, clouds, a flight of light planes from the nearby Oliver Springs Airport, etc. were ruled out. One explanation advanced that it might have been due to

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atmospheric conditions. Further attempts to explain the sightings were postponed until a complete report was prepared by the radar station and until the EADF team had checked the various Air Force Commands and the other services.

In an evaluation of the above sightings the following conditions should be considered:

b7c a. [redacted] the controller, is considered to be a competent and well qualified radar officer.

b. The CPS-1 radar set undergoes daily maintenance. Such maintenance was performed on 12 October at 1600. Checks were made on the equipment during and after the sightings and found to be in good operating condition.

c. The crew of the fighter plane is considered to be one of the four (4) best in the 52nd Fighter Group.

d. Weather conditions during the incident were excellent. The sky was cloudless, the air was practically calm and visibility was excellent. [redacted], pilot of the F-82, reported that he had made visual sightings earlier in the same evening at a distance of ten (10) to fifteen (15) miles.

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A more complete report will be rendered as soon as the findings of the EADF are learned and when the radar station report is completed.

WILLIAM M. PRICE
S/A OSI
Detachment Commander

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KNOXVILLE DETACHMENT
8th DISTRICT OSI (IG)
PO BOX 401
Knoxville, Tennessee

16 October 1950

SUBJECT: Visual Sightings of Unidentified Flying Objects over Oak Ridge, Tennessee

TO : District Commander
8th District OSI (IG)
Maxwell AFB, Ala.

1. At 0830 16 October 1950, Mr. George Rathman, Security Division, Atomic Energy Commission, Oak Ridge, Tennessee, notified the undersigned that visual sightings of an unidentified flying object had been made by several persons at Oak Ridge. Accompanied by W. B. Gray, SAC Knoxville CIC, the undersigned proceeded to Oak Ridge.

2. At the AEC Security Division, Oak Ridge AEC Security Patrol [redacted] was interviewed by Mr. Rathman, Mr. Gray and the undersigned. In substance [redacted] related the following: At about 1525 EST, 15 October 1950 [redacted] was on duty at the Solvay b
entrance to the Oak Ridge controlled area. He was conversing outside the guard house with [redacted], attendant at the University of Tennes
Research Farm Program, Oak Ridge. [redacted] happened to glance in the sky and called [redacted] attention to an object in the sky. The men observed that the object was starting to describe an arc in the sky. They estimated the object to be about twelve to fifteen thousand feet altitude. At this altitude the object resembled a sky-writing plane because smoke appeared to be trailing from the object. After the object described about a quarter of an arc it began to make a controlled descent at a speed estimated at about 100 miles per hour. [redacted] then noticed that the object had no wings and that it appeared to be bullet shaped. By this time the men could observe that what appeared to be smoke coming from the object was an attached tail. At this time [redacted] went in the guard house and call
the Captain of the Guard to report a falling object. [redacted] contin
to observe the object. When [redacted] came out of the guard house the object had descended to a height of about six (6) feet and was about sevent
(70) yards from the two (2) men. By this time the object had assumed the shape of a two (2) by five (5) inch grayish colored card and attached to th
object was a ribbon like tail about twenty (20) feet long and an inch wide. The object had no thickness. The tail of the object, which was light gray color, had a small black line running down through its center. The tail appeared to be waving or rippling and the latter fifteen (15) feet of the tail gave off a pulsating glow intermittently in different section of the fifteen (15) feet. The latter fifteen (15) feet of the tail appeared to be somewhat transparent.

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[redacted] estimated that the object was traveling about three (3) mile per hour and that the main body of the object was rocking slightly showing the corners and the under and top side. [redacted] advanced on the object to within fifty (50) feet but it did not appear to get any larger. At [redacted] approach the object picked up speed slightly, proceeded across highway, came to a nine (9) foot chain link fence, rose vertically and parallel with the fence and proceeded over the fence. After clearing the fence it dipped toward the ground for a few feet and then rose sharply to clear a thirty (30) foot willow tree and proceeded in a southeasterly direction at an increased speed to a ridge about a mile away and disappear over the top of the ridge. The object during the flight to the ridge, changed to a pear shape but the tail continued to be present. While the object was heading for the ridge a car driven by [redacted], empl of the Maxon Construction Company, Oak Ridge, approached the Solway gate. [redacted] called [redacted] attention to the object and he also saw it disappear over the ridge. Shortly after the object disappeared Captain of the AEC Security Patrol [redacted] arrived at the scene. Shortly thereafter another similar object appeared in the sky within sight of the men at a height of about 300 feet, traveling in the same direction as the previous object and it disappeared over the same ridge. The object was visible to the men for about thirty (30) seconds. About five (5) minutes after the second appearance another similar object again was visible at an altitude of about 500 feet for about a ten (10) sec interval.

3. After a discussion of the incident Mr. Rathman, Mr. Gray, [redacted] and the undersigned proceeded to Solway Gate, scene of the observation. A check was made of [redacted] estimate of distances and they were found to be substantially accurate. The immediate area around the gate is fairly level with wooded hills and ridges rising around the area. There were no obstructions or hindrances to visibility noticeabl At the direction of Mr. Rathman [redacted] was brought to the scene. He gave substantially the same account as did [redacted] except to add that while [redacted] was phoning and the object had descended to about 1500 feet the object appeared to be pear shaped and another pear shaped object appeared on one side of the object. As it came lower the object assumed the 2" x 5" card shape.

[redacted]

5. At 1400, 16 October Mr. Gray and the undersigned proceeded to the Air Force Radar Station at McGhee-Tyson Airport, Knoxville, Tennessee. Major R. C. Care, Defense Area Commander stated that the radar screen had picked up indistinct, unidentified objects during the afternoon of 15 Oct. Major Care produced the incident report of [redacted], controller; excerpts from his report are as follows:

"Prior to this report [redacted], we had a reoccurance of targets like Thursday night. We had sent one scramble out and made several good passes at one target which painted very well. It was on a heading of 180 degrees and approx. 4 miles inside the eastern boundary of the area. Our fighter worked from 2500 to 5000 feet, but saw nothing. The speed of these targets varied from 40 to 100 miles per hour. Every characteristic was the same as before except that the speed was slower.

There was nothing on the scope at the location of this strange object.

The strange visitor was reported to [redacted] at Nobody, who carried through to EADF. Their orders were to put a patrol over the area, which was done. b

[redacted] operating under my control and later [redacted] saw nothing in the area except one large flock of birds, which we were painting. He estimated their number between 200 and 300. This was at 7000 feet. His patrol up until 1730 EST when I left duty, ranged from a low level pass over the gates to 7000 feet.

He was vectored after several well painted targets, but saw nothing."

6. At about 1520 EST 16 October, while the undersigned was present, a report came from the AEC Patrol to the radar station relating that a [redacted] and four civilian employees at Oak Ridge had observed a "silver disk" hovering over the K-25 plant in the controlled area. The radar screen was able to pick up an indistinct target about every three (3) or four (4) sweeps of the indicator. An F-82 fighter plane was sent to attempt an intercept of the object. The airborne radar of the fighter picked up a target which later proved to be a light aircraft. The ground observers reported that the F-82 passed under the "silver disk", while it was in pursuit of the light plane. The crew of the fighter observed nothing unusual. Nothing further was learned of the sightings.

7. Investigation will continue 17 October at which time [redacted] and other witnesses will be interviewed.

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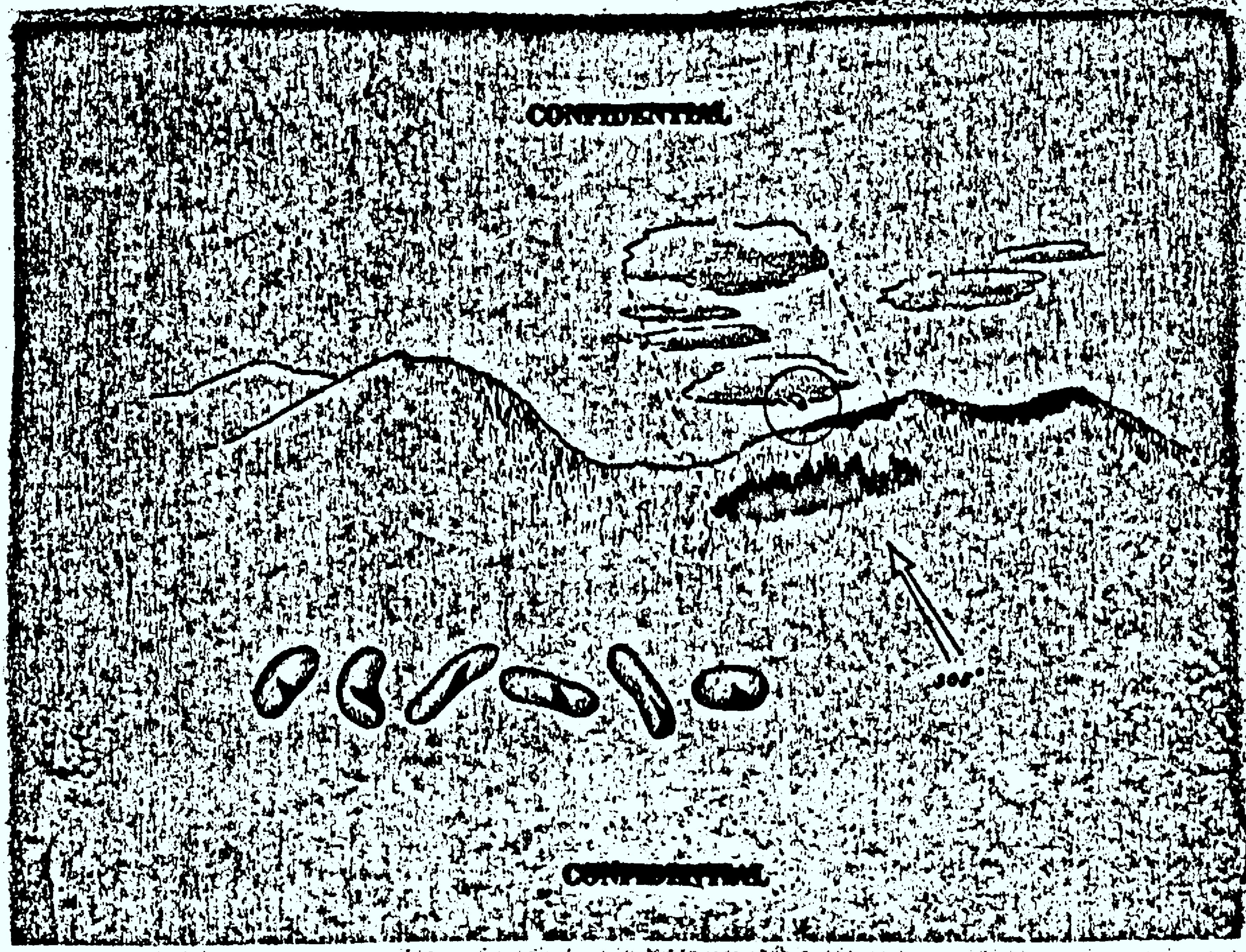

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KNOXVILLE DETACHMENT
8th DISTRICT OSI (IG)
PO Box 401
Knoxville, Tennessee

10 November 1950

SPOT INTELLIGENCE REPORT

SUBJECT: Unidentified Flying Objects

TO : District Commander
8th District OSI
Maxwell AFB, Ala.

In compliance with AFCSI Ltr. No. 85, dtd 23 Oct 50 and AFOIC-CC-1 ltr. dtd 8 Sep 50 the following report is submitted on a sighting of an unidentified flying object by [redacted]., Oak Ridge, Tennessee: b7

1. Description - The object observed by [redacted] changed shapes rapidly from pear shape to bean shape and to other shapes as noted on enclosed drawing. The object was light gray in color with a core that was a much darker gray. The object appeared to be translucent. The mass of the object was constant and had sharply outlined edges and the core also had definite lines. Speed could not be estimated but was described as "rapid and darting". The object maneuvered within an area of a circle as illustrated on the enclosure. [redacted] further described the core as assuming the shape of the whole object, that is, when the object elongated the core would be elongated also. The object disappeared while [redacted] was attempting to locate a witness to the phenomena. No sound could be heard nor could the means of propulsion be determined. [redacted] made on-the-spot notes of his observation. Pertinent of these are as follows: "rapidly changing shape. Constant mass. Sharply outlined edges. Gray color, cool in contrast with warm, pinkish gray of clouds. No spectral reflection of light, no bright highlights. Definite suggestion of form. Movements rapid, darting in all directions within small area. Seemed to be moving in and out of cloud (this may have been because of semi-transparent characteristics.) Must be some phenomena of light on clouds. Very weird. Movements did not seem to be result of wind. First impression - balloon, too rapid and random in movements. Too rapid and extreme in changes of shape." b7

2. Time Sighted - For five (5) to ten (10) minutes on 5 November 1950 at 1155 hours.

3. Manner of observation - Visual

4. Location of observer - At the corner of [redacted] [redacted], Oak Ridge, Tennessee. The object appeared to be near a mountain ridge about six (6) miles distant. The object was on a compass bearing of 30 degrees. The altitude of the object remained within a short distance above [illegible]

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below the ridge of the mountain. (Note: [redacted] stated that for the object to be as large as he described and to be six (6) miles distant its size would be comparable to a three (3) story building a half a block long).

5. Information on Subject - [redacted]

6. Weather and wind conditions - according to the Weather Bureau at Oak Ridge, the temperature was 51 degrees and there was a nine (9) to twelve (12) mile an hour West wind. Visibility was unlimited.

7. Unknown

8. Physical Evidence - None

9. Interception or identification action taken - None

/s/ WILLIAM M. PRICE
S/A OSI
Detachment Commander

14 November 1950

On 13 November 1940, the undersigned was informed by personnel at the Civil Aeronautical Administration (CAA), Communications Section, Knoxville Airport, Knoxville, Tennessee, that a [redacted], Boston, Mass., commercial airline Pilot, and six other persons (names unknown), while awaiting a flight at Knoxville Airport, saw an object traveling to the Southwest at a great rate of speed. [redacted], who has considerable flying experience, was extremely excited and stated that this object was not an aircraft. He described it as a circular object, leaving a trail of smoke. Before further information may be obtained concerning this sighting, [redacted] should be interviewed in an attempt to learn the names of the other five observers. The incident occurred on 29 October 1950.

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[redacted], Knoxville Airport, Knoxville, Tennessee, maintains a record of unidentified and identified objects, and/or aircrafts which he is requested to contact by radio prior to the Air Force Fighters attempted interception. His record further verified some of the sightings and listed Air Force activity heretofore not reported. Apparently an object traveling at eighty (80) miles per hour from the Northeast to the Southwest, over the restricted area, on 5 November 1950, at 0929 hours, was intercepted by a fighter aircraft according to radar screen readings. The Fighter intercepted this object near or over the restricted zone and circled to the right, so as to trail the object for about 20 miles. The pilot reported that he made no visual contact with any object during this interception.

NOTES: No record of this interception or radar sighting was found to be listed at the USAF Radar Site at the Knoxville Airport.

/s/ WILLIAM B. GRAY
SAC, KNOXVILLE

C O P Y

10 November 1950

On 9 November 1950, Mr. J. Z. Holland, Chief of the Weather Section, Atomic Energy Commission, Oak Ridge, Tennessee, revealed information concerning the release of balloons the captive weather Blimp, and other weather data, during the periods of electronic, visual. and audible contacts with objects sighted over Oak Ridge, Tennessee. Attached hereto is a chart showing date, time of sightings over Oak Ridge, and the release of weather balloons, the Blimp, and weather data.

Mr. Holland described the weather balloons as being 30 grams which rise at 600 feet per minute, and are released from the X-10 plant. The captive Blimp is stationary and is allowed to rise from a cable to an altitude of 1500 feet. The balloons are composed of "pigments of synthetic rubber" and vary in color, which colors are organic and, therefore, would not cause any reflection on radar equipment. Mr. Holland advised that radar readings may be received from echoes, off of moisture saturated clouds, certain types of thermos, some water droplets, and lightening, but he had never heard of the reflection of radar waves from radio active material although such reflection seems possible if enough radio active material was released to cause ionization of particles of air. However, no radio active material is known to have been released accidently or intentionally during the month of October, which precludes the possibility that the radar sightings during October, of objects sighted over Oak Ridge, being of radio active matter.

NOTES: During the next two weeks, the Weather Section at the Atomic Energy Commission will conduct research designed to ascertain whether or not the Knoxville Radar Station can receive radar interference and/or readings of the radioactive energy ejections at Oak Ridge, Tennessee.

/s/ WILLIAM B. GRAY
SAC KNOXVILLE

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10 November 1950

On 9 November 1950, [redacted]), N.E.P.A. Division, Fairchild Engine and Airplane Corporation, Oak Ridge, Tennessee, stated substantially as follows: Between 1155 and 1200 on 5 November 1950, [redacted] observed an object flying over Oak Ridge, Tennessee. During the past six months [redacted] has made illustrations from a vantage point at the intersection of [redacted], at Oak Ridge, Tennessee, and he was therefore quite familiar with the terrain and various features of the locality. At the time of [redacted] observation he was adjacent to house number 322 West Outer Drive and h described the object as a "wiggly, fat cell, with characteristics of a toy balloo However, this object has a substantial outline and its mass remained constant although the shape of the object changed rapidly. The object made quick movement in the general vicinity above the ridge shown on the attached illustration, whic ridge is approximately six miles away. [redacted] was unable to judge the distance of the object from his vantage point, however, it appeared to be over the ridge but could have been either closer or farther. If the object was over the ridge (Six miles away.) it would have been approximately the size of a thirteen story building. [redacted] noticed no light or glow emitting from the object and it appea to have no inner lighting. Attached hereto is an illustration on which there are certified true notations made by [redacted] at the time and place of his observation.

The following notes are quoted:

> "No F-82 (fighter type aircraft). Must be some phenomenon of light on clouds." [redacted] explained that the object itself did not appear to be a phenomenon of light on clouds but rather was affected by light on clouds.)
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> "Rapidly changing shape - constant mass - translucent appearance - sharply outlined edges - gray color, cool in contrast with warm, pinkish, gray of clouds - no spectral reflection of light, no bright highlights - definite suggestion of form - movements rapidly, darting in all directions within small area - seemed to be moving in and out of clouds (this may have been because of semi-transparent characteristi Movements did not seem to be result of wind. First impression - balloo but too rapid and random in movement - too rapid and extreme in change of shape. Seemed to be this side of mountain (Waldron Ridge). Halluci tion observed for five to ten minutes. Very clear. No haze. Compass bearing from my position 305 degrees. Date - 11-5-50. Time - 1155 - 1200."

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[redacted] stated that the core (triangular shape dark portion of the illustrati remained constant and the apex of the core varied only a few degrees while the b of the object seemed to change shapes rapidly and would become elongated during quick movement of the object.

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FORM OR-514
(April 1950)

Incident Report
AEC Patrol

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Supplement
Incident Report No. 1424-50

Date: 10/16/50

Time: 2:55 P.M.

CLASSIFICATION	TROOPER	LOCATION
Flying Object	John L. Isabell	Blair Gate

PERSON INVOLVED	ADDRESS	BADGE NO.
Trooper Lendelle Clark		212
PERSON INVOLVED	**ADDRESS**	**BADGE NO.**
Trooper Hank N. Briggs		156

REMARKS:

On October 16, 1950, at approximately 2:55 P.M., Trooper Isabell stopped us at this Installation and showed us an object in the north that was traveling toward the northw It looked to be about 2,000 feet in the air and a white-silverish looking color, rotat in a counter clockwise manner. It was round in shape and going in a rather fast moti This object was at a high altitude and seemed to come in sight and then disappear. It looked about the size of a ball and round at every angle we looked at it.

/s/ Lendelle Clark
/s/ Hank N. Briggs

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/s/ W B Gray
SAC, Knoxville

AEC, Oak Ridge, Tenn., 4-12-50-5000-A17

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AGENT'S NOTES: [redacted]

The weather and wind conditions at the time of observation, according to the Weather Bureau at Oak Ridge, Tennessee, was: "Visibility: Unlimited. Wind: Nine (9) to twelve (12) m.p.h. West Wind. Temperature: Fifty-one (51) degrees."

/s/ WILLIAM B. GRAY(initialed)
SAC, Knoxville

C O P Y

UNIDENTIFIED OBJECT OVER OAK RIDGE, TENNESSEE - 27 October 1950

On the evening of 24 October 1950 at approximately 1855 I heard a plane fly over my home in the Woodland area. Being a curious individual I went outdoors to watch it with my binoculars. While looking for the plane I saw an object in the western sky which appeared at first to be a star but upon closer observation I noticed that it was rapidly changing colors from red to blue to white. When first seen it appeared over a telephone pole about 100 yards from my house and seemed to be moving very slowly in a northwest direction. It was moving relative to the other stars. The object was too small to be able to see any details even with the glasses. It disappeared from sight about 1920. During this period of time my wife also observed the object.

/s/ [redacted] b7C
Major, USAF

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/s/ William B. Gray
[illegible] Knoxville, Tenn.

UNIDENTIFIED OBJECT OVER OAK RIDGE, TENNESSEE - 24 October 1950.

On the evening of October 24, 1950 I was attending a moving picture show at the Oak Ridge out-door drive-in theater. I arrived approximately at 6:45 which was about 15 minutes prior to show time. While sitting in the car with my wife and children I casually glanced skyward towards the southwest and observed what I at first thought to be an unusually bright star. The exceptional brilliance caused me to continue to observe it then it suddenly seemed to change color rapidly from a reddish hue to a bright orange and again to a brilliant light blue. My son noticed that I was observing something and questioned as to what it was at which time I asked him to look at the star and tell me what he saw. At first glance he immediately said that it did not look like a star to him at all because of the change in coloring. My wife also noticed the same phenomena. By now I was certain that I was not merely having an optical illusion. A few moments later I heard a plane directly over head making passes over the Oak Ridge area, which was later identified as one of the F-82 fighter plane from the Air Force unit stationed at the McGhee-Tyson Airport.

I hesitated to approach other vehicles in the theater to witness the object, but managed to reach a telephone at the projection building and called [redacted], NEPA Division, b7 Fairchild Engine and Airplane Corporation, at his home to ask him whether or not he could see in that direction and possibly observe the object. A later check with [redacted] indicated that his home was located in a poor geographical position to observe anything towards the southwest becaus of hills and other obliterating features of the terrain. He did, however, drive to a higher location but failed to see the object.

While returning to my car I met a friend, [redacted] of Knoxville, b7 to whom I pointed out the object. He stated he had been observing the same object. I continued to observe the object together with my wife but it seemed to be in a slightly more northerly position which caused me to select a fixed point to determine whether or not the object was changing ineither altitude or direction. There seemed to be a deviation from north to south for approximately five to ten degrees. The changing in colors were still very evident but the object seemed to be continually getting smaller smaller as though it was becoming more distant. At approximately 7:18 by m watch it disappeared from view entirely. During these observations my wife continued to report to me the identical things that I was observing. During the entire time the F-82 airplane continued to make passes over the area un approximately 7:15. The weather condidtions were excellent; the air was calm; and the sky was cloudless with the exception of a very slight haze ov the distant horizon.

The following morning, upon reporting to work I confided my story to [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] stationed at Oak Ridge with the NEPA Project, but I hesitated to go on record as having observed such an unidentified object. However, a few hours later Mr. William M. Price of the Knoxville OSI Office visited my office at which time I gave him an off-the-record account of the subject. b7

In the meantime, I learned that [redacted] had also observed an unidentified object on the prior evening. In the presence of [redacted] and Price, I telephoned [redacted] and asked him to relate what he had seen. [redacted] listened on an auxiliary phone as a witness. [redacted] observations during the prior evening were identical as to the time, location, coloring, etc., with the one exception in which he did not observe any deviation in direction other than gradual disappearance of the object while it was getting smaller and smaller and finally disappearing from view entirely in the northwest at exactly the same moment that my wife and I had observed. Mr. Price telephoned the radar unit at the McGhee-Tyson Airport and learned that an unidentified obje appeared on the screen at 6:30 at an altitude of approximately 5000 feet in the same general vicinity as I had observed and disappeared from the screen at 7:20 the same evening.

[redacted] b7

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s/ WILLIAM B. GRAY
SAC, Knoxville, Tenn.

November 9, 1950

On May 25, 1949, about 4:00 a.m., a captive balloon escaped. The balloon was of rubberized nylon fabric, 18' long and 7' in diameter. The balloon was found to have landed on the outskirts of Loudon, Tennessee, before 5:00 a.m. on the same date.

An unsuccessful search was made for the balloon by aircraft on the afternoon of May 25. A phone call from an employee of the University of Tennessee [redacted] reported seeing an object pass over his house about noon on the 25th. It was described as a flat metallic object and was accompanied by a flapping noise. [redacted]., and myself picked up the preacher at the University's Agricultural Division and began a search for the object which supposedly was our escaped captive balloon. The result of this search was. that 5 people living in an area of about ten (10) square miles, each of whom gave a definite time and direction on an object of the same description passing over this section at the time which the preacher had stated he had seen a metallic object. The path of the floating object was traced to the river, at which time the preacher was returned to his work at the University and [redacted] and I crossed the river and resumed the search behind Mentor along the approximate tract described by the previous people interviewed. A family was located, whose names are not recorded, who described the same type of metallic object resembling a sheet of roofing flying through the air at a low altitude, and making a flapping or cracking noise at the approximate time given by the first group of people of people interviewed.

As no further reports could be obtained, return was made to the Knoxville Airport with a view toward continuing air search in this section. At this time, 3:00 p.m., May 26, 1949, a phone call was received stating that the balloon had been stored in a shed since 5:00 a.m. on the 25th.

[redacted] b7C

CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

/s/ WILLIAM B. GRAY
SAC, Knoxville, Tenn.

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Date	Time of Visual, Radar, or Audible Contact	Weather Balloons	Captive Blimp	Other
October				
12	2325 - 2400	None	2320 - 2330 1700 feet	None
13	0000 - 0100 1500	0015 - 0030 (1 piball) Heading - 90 degrees		None
15	1300 - 1400	Off Duty	Off Duty	Off Duty
	1510 - 1520	Off Duty	Off Duty	Off Duty
16	1455 - 1530	None	None	None
	1950 - 2004	1915 - 1930 1905 - 2030 (Two neutral balloons)	1950 - 2010	None
20	1510 - 1720	1645 - 1715 (Two neutral balloons) 1615 - 1630 (1 piball)		Wind N. 4.7 mil
23	1630	None	None	1505 - (Thunder storm w rain) 1609 - (rain)
24	1823 - 1920	1815 - 1830 (1 piball)	1855 - 1910 1935 - 1950	Off Du
25	0200 - 0300	Off Duty	Off Duty	Off Du
26	0500	Off Duty	Off Duty	Off Du
November				
5	1155 - 1200	Off Duty	Off Duty	Off Du

Piball - 30 gram balloons which travel vertically.
Neutral Balloons - 30 gram balloons which hover over the ground and travel horizontally.

NOTE: During the above, times and dates there was never any wind, either surface aloft, which exceeded speed of thirty miles per hour.

14 November 1950

On 25 October 1950, between 0200 and 0300 hours, the Radar Site at the McGhee-Tyson Airport, Knoxville, Tennessee, reported several small, slow-moving targets as described in Summary of Information, Subject: "Objects Sighted Over Oak Ridge, Tennessee," dated 21 October 1950, Enclosure 1.

/s/ WILLIAM B. GRAY
SAC, KNOXVILLE

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Command, Stewart Air Field, Newburgh, New York). He called back and said their only instructions was to keep fighters on Alert Status. Told him we could have both off the ground in 4 (four) minutes.

"Targets were appearing with come regularity and proceeding South.

"They all traveled at a speed of between 100 and 125 miles per hour. Fading and reappearing at various intervals. All but one originated in the area. One did appear at 10 miles North of Clinton and faded right at the area line. Reappearance of this target or at least one on the same course 180 degrees was 8 (eight) miles inside area. This target faded after three sweeps (Revolutions of the indicator on the Radar Scope which makes four revolutions per minute).

"The tracks varied at time from one applicable to very light A/C (aircraft) up to A/C of the C-47 variety (Meaning the reflected intensity of Radar waves made the target appear at first like a small aircraft and then like a large one).

"We operated both on High and Low Beam and picked up the same tracks.

"All traveled at the same approximate speed and general course. During the night this course spread from 170 degrees to 230 degrees (magnetic compass heading).

"At 0210 E.S.T., called Captain Summers at Nobody; he called EADF, Captain Hutchinson, and received permission to release fighters to normal status."

AGENTS NOTES: This document was signed by Captain William Akin, the Radar Controller on duty at the time of these occurrences.

THIS IS A CERTIFIED TRUE EXTRACT COPY:

BY: /s/ Wm B Gray
SAC, Knoxville

Office Mem[illegible]dum • UNITED [illegible]S GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, F.B.I.

DATE: July 14, 1950

FROM : SAC, OKLAHOMA CITY

AIR MAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY

SUBJECT: [redacted]
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Re telephone call to [redacted] at the Bureau on July 12, 1950.

On July 11, 1950, [redacted], furnished this Office with a copy of a letter addressed to the Daily Oklahoman and Times, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, dated July 10, 1950. Copies of this letter were designated for the FBI, Washington, and the Oklahoma City Police Department. The letter itself is quoted:

"Gentlemen:

"Reference to a fellow being 'soused', in your paper of this date, applied to me. To say that, was not libel, because, sometimes that is true and, here in the Bible Belt, who determines when one is 'soused'.?

"What I have to say is, that the 'piece of an old meteorite' was no doubt true. But, on close accord with the circumstances, I examined the piece and found a wire attached. That was the reason for calling the FBI and the Oklahoma City Police Department.

"The Oklahoma City Police Department did their duty, in this little incident, but the FBI office seemed to care little about it. Had it been of major importance, would the local office acted as it did?

Yours very truly,

[redacted]

In the Oklahoma City Times of July 10, 1950, there appeared an article entitled, "Flying Saucer Lands in Police Trophy Room." This article is attached.

Submitted herewith is a copy of a memorandum by night clerk [redacted] relative to this matter. There is also enclosed a memorandum submitted by clerk [redacted] on the same matter.

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This information is being furnished the Bureau in view of the fact that a copy of the letter addressed to the Daily Oklahoman was designated for the FBI in Washington, D. C. It is apparent from the memorandums submitted by the clerks receiving the calls from [redacted] that he was arrogant and possibly drunk.

[redacted] Oklahoma City, was interviewed by Agents of this Office in accordance with Bureau instructions. Mr. [redacted] opened the conversation by stating he believed he had been doing too much telephoning.

The Bureau's appreciation for his thoughtfulness in contacting this Office on matters in which he thought we would be interested was expressed and it was explained to him that there was no necessity for him to correspond with any newspaper in order to obtain action by this Bureau on matters over which we have investigative jurisdiction. Mr. [redacted] stated he was still under the influence of alcohol at the time he observed the newspaper article wherein he was designated as being "soused" and he thereupon wrote the letter mentioned above. He stated it was not his intention to cause any trouble for the Bureau and that he contemplated changing his brand of whisky. He stated it is his desire to cooperate with this Bureau in every possible way.

[redacted]

A photograph with descriptive data is being enclosed herewith.

ENC. TO THE BUREAU:

Article in the Oklahoma City Times of July 10, 1950, entitled, "Flying Saucer Lands in Police Trophy Room."
Memorandum submitted by night clerk [redacted] dated July 10, 1950, at Oklahoma City.
Memorandum by clerk [redacted], Oklahoma City.
[redacted]

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

MEMO SAC:

NO RECORD

RE: UNKNOWN OBJECT FOUND IN BACKYARD OF [redacted]

NO RECORD

At 6:00 P.M. this date, [redacted] Okla. City, advised that he had found an object in the backyard with a piece of wire attached. He said that he had called the OCPD about it and then had called this office about it. Prior to calling this office the second time, he called the PD and had been advised they "hadn't investigated it yet".

[redacted] further stated in an incoherent manner that he didn't know what the object was, that he didn't think it was a flying saucer "or anything like that" but that it looked like a piece of metal of some kind with a piece of wire "or something sticking out of it".

[redacted] further stated that the officers from the OCPD had taken the object with them and had at the time "asked him how many drinks he had had".

[redacted] was very difficult to understand and voluntarily furnished information that he "had been drinking some". [redacted] was thanked for furnishing his information.

[redacted]
Clerk

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FBI - OKLAHOMA CITY

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7-10-50
6:55 a.m.

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[redacted]

REPORTED FLYING SAUCER

817 NORTHWEST 7th

At 6:55 a.m. this date received a call to 817 Northwest 7th, get a report.

We talked with [redacted], WM-45 who stated there was something in his back yard which he believed to be a flying saucer. Mr. [redacted] warned us about touching the object, stating it had wire on it; however, on examining the object we found it to be a rock.

We also observed that Mr. [redacted] had been drinking; however, he was at home and not disturbing anyone, therefore we left him there

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ENCLOSURE

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
July 10, 1950

MEMO FOR THE SAC:

RE: [redacted]
St. Okla. City, Okla.
Unknown object found in backyard.

At 6:30 A. M. this date, Mr. [redacted] telephonically contacted this office, and advised that he had found a strange object in his back yard. Mr. [redacted] described the object as a metallic corrugated ball, slightly larger than a baseball, with a wire attached to it. The writer asked Mr. [redacted] what he thought the object was, and he replied, "not being a geologist he could not say". Mr. [redacted] was asked if he thought the object was a bomb, and he replied that he did not know, but it hadn't blown up yet.

The writer referred Mr. [redacted] to the Oklahoma City Police Department. Mr. [redacted] volunteered that he had been drinking, but that he was not drunk. It was apparent from Mr. [redacted] incoherent speech and thickness of tongue, he was under the influence of liquor.

Mr. [redacted] called again at 7:00 A.M. and he was again told to call the Oklahoma City Police Department.

At 7:30 A. M. the complainant called the office, and advised that he had called the police department, and that they tried to make a damned fool out of him and he didn't like it a bit. Mr. [redacted] was very arrogant and demanding during this conversation. He wanted the FBI to do something. The writer was courteous to Mr. [redacted] and informed him that his call would be made a matter of record and in the event the matter was within the investigative jurisdiction of this office, he would be contacted.

[redacted]
Clerk.

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ENCLOSURE

'Flying Saucer' Lands In Police Trophy Room

A city resident called police Monday morning and reported a flying saucer in his yard. It developed that he was well soused, police reported, but at least he had something tangible to offer in evidence.

When scoutcar officers W. L. Brown and W. B. Cole arrived, the man was warily circling an object about the size of a softball. Now the police squad room has a new trophy—a piece of an old meteorite.

Oklahoma City Times
July 10, 1950

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ENCLOSURE

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March 21, 1961

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[redacted]

Dear [redacted]

I have received your letter dated March 13, 1961, and the interest which prompted your communicating with me is indeed appreciated.

This Bureau has conducted no investigation of the organization about which you inquired. In addition, the jurisdiction and responsibilities of the FBI, strictly an investigative agency of the Federal Government, do not extend to furnishing evaluations or comments concerning the character or integrity of any organization, publication or individual. I am sure you will understand the necessity for this policy and will not infer that we do or do not have in our files the information you desire.

In view of your interest in the internal security of the United States, I am enclosing some literature which you may wish to read.

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Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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Mr. [redacted]

NOTE ON YELLOW:

Bufiles contain no identifiable references to correspondent.

[redacted] has corresponded with the Bureau since 1957, forwarding various material concerning flying saucers. No investigation of the organization has been conducted by the Bureau and, to date, no complaints have been received against the organization alleging violation of law over which this Bureau has jurisdiction.

The following items of literature have been forwarded to correspondent:

1. "Communist Target - Youth"
2. "One Nation's Response to Communism"
3. "God and Country or Communism?"
4. "The Communists Are After Our Minds"
5. "Breaking the Communist Spell"

ATLANTIC 6-56

HOTEL Neff
2ND AND MARKET
SUNBURY, PENNA

[redacted]

March 13, 1961

Edgar J. Hoover
Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover;

On March 1, 1961, I subscribed for a one year membership ($5.00) to "The U.F.O. Investigator," published by the National Investigation Committee on Aerial Phenomena - NICAP. This organization is located at: 1536 Connecticut Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C.

Today, I received acknowledgement of membership and my first issue of "U.F.O. Investigator."

The contents of this issue points up the pressure being applied to the United Statets Air Force, Congressional leaders and others to divulge secret information regarding Flying Saucers, etc.

If our Air Force (or any other agency) has such information and our government desires to keep same secret in the interest of national security, I would appreciate your answering this question for me.

"IS NICAP a Communist sponsored outfit???

If so, I have inadvertantly contibuted my name and support to their cause, by my membership for one year.

Thank you for your interest and reply. 62-103581-10

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Sincerely yours,

[redacted]

[redacted]

January 31, 1949

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Washington D.C.

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Dear Mr. Hoover:

Here is a bit of information which may be of great significance, or may be merely an observation of a sientific experiment. It may be known by military authorities and the A.E.C. or only a few may have seen it and none reported it to the right place. Here it is. Can you pass it to the right persons?

Last May one afternoon I saw four beams in the sky passing from the northwest to the southeast and converging in the Cascade mountains. In those four narrow beams small clouds were forming. And where the beams met apparently against the mountains a great explosion effect was to be seen. I would say that they were visible for at least 10 minutes or longer.

The sight brought to mind an article read before the war about experiments carried on in Europe with various types of radio beams to effect rainfall. I would guess that I had seen the article in the Science Digest.

The Columbia River flood of last summer and the unusual precipitation this winter have forced me to feel that this observation of mine should be sent somewhere in the interest of national security.

I have one son in the Air Corps and another works with the A.E.C. at Hanford which causes me to pray for peace, as well as the fact that as a minister I deplore the waste and tragedy of war. That is one reason that I have refrained from passing on information and ideas that might incite warlike attitudes.

May I add these words to paragraph two. The explosion effect seemed to rise to a height of about ten thousand feet.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

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to Air Force
AEC 3-3-49

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November 16, 1961

[redacted]

Dear [redacted]

Mr. Hoover has been called out of the city and asked me to acknowledge your letter to him, which was received on November 13, 1961.

Although Mr. Hoover would like to be of service, information in FBI files must be maintained as confidential through a regulation of the Department of Justice. In this connection, the FBI is strictly an investigative agency of the Federal Government and, as such, does not make evaluations nor draw conclusions concerning the character or integrity of any organization, publication or individual. Please do not infer either that we do or do not have data in our files relating to the subjects of your inquiries.

In light of the foregoing, you can be assured that this Bureau does not have a list of organizations of the type you discussed; however, there is enclosed a list of groups designated by the Department of Justice as coming within the purview of Executive Order 10450. The material you enclosed is being returned to you under separate cover.

Sincerely yours,

~~J. Edgar Hoover~~

Helen W. Gandy
Secretary

FBI READING ROOM
11-16-61

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Enclosure
Organizations designated under Executive Order 10450
1 - Mr. [redacted] Room 4726 (Sent Direct)
USC Material (listed next page)

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NOTE NEXT PAGE

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USC Material

3 piece form mail from The Golden Dawn Press
Methods of the Magi
The Flying Saucers Are Real
My Friend from Beyond Earth
Flying Saucerama
Outwitting Tomorrow

NOTE: Correspondent is not identifiable in Bufiles. The date received is being used as her letter was dated March 23, 1961, and no postmark date could be located. Correspondent enclosed three pieces of form mail from The Golden Dawn Press, 1044 South Olive Street, Los Angeles 15, California, and five books or pamphlets, namely: Flying Saucerama by Dr. Frank E. Stranges; My Friend from Beyond Earth by Dr. Stranges; Outwitting Tomorrow, a publication from The Golden Dawn Press; The Flying Saucers Are Real by Donald Keyhoe; and Methods of the Magi, another publication of The Golden Dawn Press.

She is being given an in-absence reply as it is believed these are not the type o books on which the Director would want to comment nor is the material in the of interest to the Bureau. She asks are the books subversive and if they are, i there any way to stop them or expose them. In view of the size of the books and pamphlets correspondent enclosed they are being returned to her under separate cover.

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[redacted]

FEDERAL BUREAU of INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C.

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Sirs;

I have come across some literature, that I believe may be subtly subversive. I am sending as much of this literature as I was able to obtain and keep in my possession. The book, "Out - witting Tomorrow" seems designed to "brain wash" the well-meaning and serious person, preparing the mind for the subsequent monographs, and lessons, which are apparently an indoctrination, teaching self-hypnosis. This doctrine seems to be tied up with the idea, that U. F. O.s are visitors from other planets. Monograph, number twelve, takes a legal refuge on its cover and warns that some individuals who may try to practice one of its exercises (a kind of mental masturbation) might become degenerates. These monographs appear to be let out to the prospective convert, in small, well planned, amounts at a time. Probably to keep the victims intelligence from rejecting the material in its entirety. The emphasis is on secrecy, deception, and silence. I think it is their policy to go on declaring to be the same religion they were before they became addicted to this weird doctrine, (at least the one my husband met did) You would never know who they are. I believe this to be as dangerous as dope addiction. It is my opinion, that if the communist are able to get our irresponsible people on dope, and the responsible but slightly gullible people self-hypnotized into an "outter space" condition, and the rebellious, nonconformist demonstrating, they

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might not be en[illegible] of us left to stop them. . the Reds operating behind our precious freedom of religion? If they are, they are dange Please investigate and expose them.

The people who spoke on their avowed sightings of U.F. O.s at their convention, in the Shrine Auditorium, in Los Angeles in either late July or August of 1960. Also the books by Major Keyhole and books by Dr. Strangers, seemed to have been written for the express purpose of discrediting our Air Force (Intelligence division).

Are they subversive? If they are , is there some way to stop them, or at least expose them? Hoping you will investigate the matter. I am

Sincerely [redacted]

P.S. Is there a printed list of known Communist and Communist Organizations. That the average person may obtain for his or her personal protection? (to keep out and away from such people and organizations) I would like to have such a list.

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice

422 - Federal Office Building
Civic Center, San Francisco 2
September 4, 1947

[redacted]

Director, FBI

RE: WEEKLY INTELLIGENCE CONFERENCE - [redacted]

Dear Sir:

[redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

Although Lt. [redacted], A2, Hamilton Field, California, was not present, due to the death of two of his investigators returning from an investigation concerning flying discs, DIO and G2 representatives were advised of the Bureau's current interest in investigating reported sightings of flying discs and of the Bureau's cooperation with the AAF intelligence in this matter.

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Conference said this, 11-27

FOR VICTORY BUY UNITED STATES DEFENSE BONDS AND STAMPS

Director, FBI, from SAC, San Francisco September 4, 1947

RE: WEEKLY INTELLIGENCE CONFERENCE

[redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

Lt. Colonel [redacted] discussed the investigation being conducted in connection with the "flying discs," all of which has been the subject of a separate communication to the Bureau.

[redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

Lt. [redacted] again discussed the activities of the Air Force in investigating the "flying disc" complaints, and also reported an additional complaint of this nature which has been the subject of a separate communication to the Bureau.

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UNITED STATES [illegible]NMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 9/2/65

FROM : SAC, PITTSBURGH (62-0) (c)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL INVESTIGATIONS COMMITTEE ON AERIAL PHENOMENA MISCELLANEOUS

Enclosed for the Bureau are 2 copies each and for Washington Field Office 2 copies each of a LHM and reliability memo concerning captioned organization.

[redacted] He furnished this information on 8/9/65 to [redacted], [redacted], OSI, Greater Pittsburgh Airport, Coraopolis, Pa., and to SA [redacted] who was present at the invitation of [redacted] in the event [redacted] had information of interest to the Bureau.

Indices of the Pittsburgh Office contain no information identifiable with captioned organization, [redacted] to other individuals mentioned in the attached LHM.

Furnished to the Bureau and Washington Field Office for information. No further action is being taken and this matter is closed.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
September 2, 1965

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

[redacted]

On August 9, 1965, a source advised that the [redacted] which had headquarters at [redacted] Washington, D. C., 20036, has an informal chapter in Pittsburgh, Pa. [redacted], an University of Pittsburgh graduate student, and one [redacted] are members of the Pittsburgh organization. They are acquainted with a NASA employee, one [redacted] (phonetic), and have stated that he furnishes them information by mail about unidentified flying objects (UFO) which he obtains from NASA files. The source believes that the information furnished may be classified. The source said, for example, that [redacted] had seen a motion picture film showing a missile separation and an UFO appearing on the screen. Prior to the flight of Gemini 4, [redacted] informed [redacted] to watch out for something interesting because the space ship had devices aboard to detect UFO's. [redacted] furnished the information received from [redacted]o the headquarters of the National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena. [redacted] have informed the source that [redacted] posts his letters in a mail box away from NASA and puts hairs in the glue of the envelope so that the addressee can determine if the envelope was opened. This source stated he had no reason to believe that the information secured by [redacted] was going to any foreign power.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
September 2, 1965

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Title [redacted]

Reference Memorandum dated and
captioned as above at
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Source has not been contacted a sufficient number of times to establish reliability.

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OPTIONAL FORM NO. 10

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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Belmont
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Evans
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Rosen
Sullivan
Tavel
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Tele. Room
Ingram
Gandy

TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

DATE: 9-22-61

FROM : [redacted]

SUBJECT: AERIAL OBJECTS
INFORMATION CONCERNING
[redacted] COMPLAINANT

[redacted]

[redacted], Howard University, Washington, D. C., called at 2:25 a.m., 9-22-61, to report that for last several minutes he had been observing a light in the eastern sky which he felt could be a flying disc. He explained that the light, which appeared to change colors and to ascend and descend, had gradually diminished. [redacted] discounted possibility light he observed was aircraft light or falling star.

Matter was immediately discussed with [redacted], Staff Duty Officer, Air Force, who advised that he had not received any similar reports.

Bufiles contain no information identifiable with [redacted]

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ACTION:

File.

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1 - Mr. Sullivan
1 - [redacted]
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1 - Liaison
1 - [redacted]

REC 86 62-9557-1987

Date: September 27, 1961

To: Office of Special Investigations
Air Force

Attention: Chief, Counterintelligence Division

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director

Subject: UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT
SEPTEMBER 22, 1961, IN VICINITY
OF WASHINGTON, D. C.

On September 22, 1961, [redacted], [redacted] [redacted] Howard University, Washington, D. C., advised this Bureau that between 2:00 a.m. and 2:25 a.m., on September 22, 1961, he had observed a light which he felt could be a flying disc. He explained that the light which was in the East seemed to change colors and to ascend and descend. He discounted the possibility that the light was from an aircraft or was a falling star.

The above information was furnished to Captain [redacted] Department of the Air Force, at 2:30 a.m., September 22, 1961, by Special Agent [redacted] of this Bureau. We are taking no further action with respect to this matter.

JFW:akg
(5)

BY COURIER SVC.
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62-9559-1987

[redacted]

August 10, 1961

Mr. William C. Sullivan
Chief Inspector
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Air Force

Dear Mr. Sullivan:

Our company possesses a guest house on a mountain top Southwest of Carlisle.

A number of us were holding a meeting Tuesday Evening, August 8. It was warm and we were sitting on an uncovered veranda.

At two minutes of ten we noted a bright light overhead longitudinally but a few degrees Northwest latitudinally. It moved in an East by North direction. At five minutes after ten it disappeared behind the tree tops.

The night was clear, stars were plainly visible. The North star provided a sense of direction. The light was brighter than any star.

As we followed the course of the light it seemed to move a bit erratically from side to side and on a few occasions seemed to jump ahead. Though all of us observed these variable movements, I recognize they could be attributed to atmospheric conditions or eye concentration.

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I have been at a loss as to whether to report this and, if so, to whom.

REC-32 62-85552-1792

I would like to assure you that the light observed was not an airplane. With the sky so full of "exotic objects" one hesitates to report any observation today.

Sincerely yours,

[redacted]

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ltr to Air Force
[illegible]

1 - [redacted]

REC-32 62-85557-1972

August 15, 1961

EX-107

Mr. [redacted]

Dear [redacted]

Your letter dated August 10, 1961, which was directed to Assistant Director William C. Sullivan of this Bureau has been called to my attention and I appreciate your furnishing the information contained therein. Since, however, this is a matter within the jurisdiction of the Department of the Air Force, I am taking the liberty of furnishing that agency a copy of your letter.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

MAILED 9
AUG 15 1961
COMM-FBI

JFW:fag
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NOTE: Assistant Director Sullivan knows [redacted] a retired businessman connected with Dickinson College, Carlisle, as vehemently anticommunist. Bufiles contain a clipping from the "Los Angeles Times" of 4-1-61 in which [redacted], described as [redacted] Carlisle, is listed as a council member of the John Birch Society. Bufiles also indicate that [redacted]n 1957 wrote a letter to the Bureau attesting to the anticommunist nature of one [redacted] a lecturer on whom Bufiles contain no references.

In his letter to Assistant Director Sullivan of 8-10-61 [redacted] pointed out that he had observed an unusual flight in the sky. No action indicated by Bureau. Air Force being furnished copy of [redacted]s letter by separate communication.

Mr. Tolson
Mr. Belmont
Mr. Mohr
Mr. Callahan
Mr. Conrad
Mr. DeLoach
Mr. Evans
Mr. Malone
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Sullivan
Mr. Tavel
Mr. Trotter
Tele. Room
Mr. Ingram
Miss Gandy

1 - [redacted]
1 - Liaison

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EX-107

Date: August 15, 1961

To: Office of Special Investigations
Air Force

Attention: Chief, Counterintelligence Division

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director

Subject: REPORT OF UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT
CARLISLE, PENNSYLVANIA, AUGUST 8, 1961
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING
(NATIONALITIES INTELLIGENCE)

There is enclosed a copy of a letter received by this Bureau from [redacted] Carlisle, Pennsylvania, dated August 10, 1961, which is self-explanatory.

By letter dated August 15, 1961, [redacted] was advised by this Bureau that the matter discussed in his letter was within the jurisdiction of the Department of the Air Force. [redacted] was also advised that a copy of his letter was being furnished the Department of the Air Force.

We are taking no further action in this matter.

BY COURIER SVC.
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COMM - FBI

Enclosure

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NOTE: Assistant Director Sullivan knows [redacted] as a retired businessman connected with Dickinson College, Carlisle, and vehemently anticommunist. Bufiles contain a clipping from the "Los Angeles Times" of 4-1-61 in which [redacted] described as [redacted] [redacted] Carlisle, is listed as a council member of the John Birch Society. Bufiles also indicate that Masland in 1957 wrote a

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Office of Special Investigations
Air Force

NOTE CONTINUED:

letter to the Bureau attesting to the anticommunist nature of one [redacted] a lecturer on whom Bufiles contain no references.

In his letter to Assistant Director Sullivan of 8-10-61 [redacted] pointed out that he had observed an unusual light in the sky. No action indicated by Bureau.

OPTIONAL FORM NO. 10
MAY 1962 EDITION
GSA GEN. REG. NO. 27
5010-106

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Moore

DATE: 3/5/75

FROM : Mr. Heim

LJH

SUBJECT: LIEUTENANT GENERAL JEAN E. ENGLER,
USA (RET.), 819 UNION TRUST BUILDING
740 15TH STREET, NORTHWEST,
WASHINGTON, D.C.
REQUEST TO REPRINT ARTICLE FROM
FBI LAW ENFORCEMENT BULLETIN

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Director Sec'y ___

Captioned telephoned 2/28/75 and requested permission to reprint in "Officer Review," a publication of the American Ordnance Association, the article entitled "The UFO Mystery," which appeared in the February, 1975, issue of the Bulletin. Engler was given the permission he requested, and he promised that appropriate credit would be given to our magazine.

He was most appreciative for our cooperation and was highly complimentary concerning the UFO article.

RECOMMENDATION:

For information.

1 - Mr. Moore

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EX-117

M/ry

REC-75 94-40213-59

MAR 6 1975

file

January 30, 1975

Dr. J. Allen Hynek
Director
Center for UFO Studies
Post Office Box 11
Northfield, Illinois 60093

Dear Dr. Hynek:

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Your article entitled "The UFO Mystery," which you prepared for the FBI Law Enforcement Bulletin, has been published in the February, 1975, edition and begins on page 16. I am sure that the information contained in this interesting article will be of value to law enforcement officers throughout the country, and my associates and I want to take this opportunity to express our appreciation for your cooperation.

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Several advance copies of the Bulletin are enclosed, and I shall be glad to see that additional ones are sent to you if desired.

Sincerely yours, ST-105

C. M. Kelley REC-19

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Clarence M. Kelley
Director

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JAN 30 1975
FBI

FEB 3 1975

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LJH

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. TOLSON

DATE: 2/14/51

FROM : S. J. Tracy

SUBJECT: FLYING SAUCERS
Article in Look Magazine
current issue

Captain [redacted] Dept. of the Army, telephoned and advised he is checking on the article in the current issue of Look Magazine by Dick Wilson, Editor of the Washington Bureau of Look.

He stated that in the opening part of the article he refers to the FBI and subsequent information is quoted coming from some branch of Naval Research. He stated the information reportedly coming from the Naval Research section was not cleared through proper official channels. He stated he will subsequently discuss the material with Dick Wilson in view of the fact the article contains many glaring errors.

Captain [redacted] would appreciate it if the Bureau would advise him if Mr. Wilson contacted the Bureau with reference to the part of the article referring to the FBI. He observed that the reference to the FBI is somewhat misleading.

It will be recalled Captain Long secured a quote from the Bureau in connection with the subject flying saucers. Captain Long was doing research in that field at the time in view of the concern of the Dept. of the Navy over the publication of wholly misleading and inaccurate articles on the subject of flying saucers.

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[redacted] none contacted FBI but Dr Liddell did come in on 1/8/51 re opening paragraph of his article

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Info [illegible] orig [illegible] originally

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The above-mentioned phraseology was immediately shown to Inspector [redacted] of the Records and Communications Division and was found not to be objectionable. [redacted] expressed thanks for such quick coordination and indicated he would continue to be at the service of the Laboratory in any matter they might wish to refer to him affecting balloons. Before leaving [redacted]entioned that Mr. Richard Wilson, who is known to Mr. Nichols and Mr. [redacted] was coordinating the material for the proposed article.

ACTION:

This is for informational purposes.

The Literal-minded FBI, skeptical but determined could not let the flying saucer excitement go by without getting to the bottom of it. Such a profusion of strange objects littering the American skies was too important to ignore.

A 10-page report by the nuclear physics branch of the Office of Naval Research, has given the answer:

Flying saucers were, and are, undeniably real.

ENCLOSURE
94-3-4-317-321

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT

FROM : [redacted]

DATE: January 10, 1951

SUBJECT: ARTICLE TO APPEAR IN "LOOK" MAGAZINE EXPLAINING "FLYING SAUCERS"

[redacted] came by the Liaison Section on January 8, 1951, and indicated to Special Agent DeLoach that he had been requested to publish an article in "LOOK" Magazine, at an early date, explaining the Navy's development of so-called "Flying Saucers." Dr. [redacted] indicated he desired to refer to the FBI in the first paragraph of his article and, therefore, he desired clearance for this purpose. Before presenting his article he expressed the opinion that publication of such an article would save the Bureau time and expense in running down numerous reported leads regarding balloons or reported saucers within the confines of this country. He also indicated release of erroneous information by amateur scientists concerning "flying saucers" had nearly caused waves of hysteria among the public in certain areas of the United States. Dr. [redacted] explained that he had submitted to the FBI Laboratory a complete explanation of the development of the "flying saucers" which he said in effect was merely a huge balloon able to travel at a speed of 200 miles an hour and which was used for the purpose of promoting cosmic rays in order to intercept and destroy planes and missiles bent on destruction of the United States.

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The first paragraph of Dr. [redacted]'s proposed article was phrased as follows:

> "The literal-minded FBI, skeptical but determined could not let the flying saucer excitement go by without getting to the bottom of it. Such a profusion of strange objects littering the American skies was too important to ignore.
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> "A 10-page report by the nuclear physics branch of the Office of Naval Research, has given the answer:
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> "Flying saucers were, and are, undeniably real."

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Nichols

DATE: July 5, 1950

FROM : [redacted]

SUBJECT:

Mr. Tolson
Mr. E. A. Tamm
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Egan
Mr. Gurnea
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Mohr
Mr. Pennington
Mr. Quinn Tamm
Tele. Room
Mr. Nease
Miss Holmes
Miss Gandy

By letter dated June 24, 1950, addressed to Assistant Director Tracy, Mr. [redacted] Cosmos Club, Washington 5, D. C., requested a statement from the FBI as to whether any of its Agents have ever confirmed any report of an actual flying saucer being found or a general statement on the subject. Mr. [redacted] desires the statement for an article he plans to write under the title, "Let's End This Flying Saucer Craze!"

Bureau files reflect Mr. [redacted] was investigated by the Bureau in May of this year in connection with his application for employment by the Office of the Secretary of Defense, Washington, D. C. as Historian. ([redacted]) It is noted that [redacted] is a writer and at the time of the investigation, he was self-employed, residing at the Cosmos Club, Washington, D. C. [redacted] has in the past received assistance from the Bureau in the preparation of articles and he was furnished data by Mr. Tracy in November, 1949, with reference to the footprinting of infants for use in an article on that subject to be published in "House and Garden" magazine. Data pertaining to [redacted] is entirely favorable and our relations have been cordial.

RECOMMENDATION: That the suggested statement ATTACHED in reply to Mr. [redacted] request be furnished to him.

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OK if Ladd approves.
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July 6, 1950

The jurisdiction and responsibility for investigating reports of flying saucers have been assumed by the United States Air Force. Information concerning this matter received by the FBI is turned over immediately to the Air Force and the FBI does not attempt to investigate these reports or evaluate the information furnished.

Original mailed
Capt. C. Johnson
Camco Club, Wash. D.C.
7/10/50

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Mr. Tolson
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Belmont
Mr. Mohr
Tele. Room
Mr. Nease
Miss Gandy

TO : MR. TOLSON

FROM : Mr. S. J. Tracy

DATE: 6/30/50

SUBJECT:

Mr. [redacted] of the Historian's Office, Department of Defense, telephoned and advised that he was very anxious to get some type of a general statement whether "no comment" or otherwise for use in connection with the article he has written on flying saucers. He feels that the article will be well rounded and will answer many questions in the minds of readers if a reference is made to the FBI even though it merely states that the FBI had adopted a "no comment" position in connection with the subject matter in view of the fact that it seemed to be the primary responsibility of the Air Force.

We should tell him "No comment"

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FD-36 (6-21-55)

Mr. Tolson
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Boardman
Mr. Belmont
Mr. Mason
Mr. Mohr
Mr. Parsons
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tamm
Mr. Nease
Mr. Winterrowd
Tele. Room
Mr. Holloman
Miss Gandy

FBI

Date: 6/18/56

Transmit the following message via AIRTEL

(Priority or Method of Mailing)

From SAC, NEW YORK (62-0-34871)

To: BUREAU

[redacted]

[redacted]
BROOKLYN 1, NY
MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING

Bureau is referred to letter dated 4/21/54 from Director, FBI, to [redacted] at above address, thanking [redacted] for information furnished.

At 11:10 A.M., on 6/18/56, [redacted] telephonically contacted SA [redacted] at the NYO of the FBI. Mrs. [redacted] spoke incoherently and said that her son was on the verge of a mental breakdown because certain people would not leave him alone.

On 6/30/54, SA [redacted] had telephonically contacted [redacted] and thanked him for some material on flying saucers he had mailed to the NYO.

The only information that could be obtained from [redacted] was that a [redacted], associated with the [redacted] [redacted] Fort Lee, New Jersey, had written to her son sometime in June or July, 1956. According to [redacted] the letter contained information concerning saucers, but also had a cover letter which stated the FBI has gotten after [redacted] who is slowly disintegrating. [redacted] stated she does not have this letter. [redacted] became hysterical on the phone, and stated that something must be done to save her son. [redacted] stated she would hold the FBI responsible if anything goes wrong with her son. [redacted] talked on and on, and would not listen to anything concerning the jurisdiction of the FBI.

The above is being sent for the information of

3 - Bureau (RM)
1 - Newark (RM)
1 - NY 62-0-34871

Mr. Mohr

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FD-36 (6-21-55)

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Date: 6/18/56

Transmit the following message via ______________________

(Priority or Method of Mailing)

From SAC,

To: BUREAU

RE: [redacted]
BROOKLYN 1, NY
MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING

the Bureau, and no further investigation is contemplated at NYO, UACB.

OSI, NY, will be advised by separate communication.

KELLY

Approved: ______________________ Sent ______ M Per

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62-101030-5

April 21, 1954

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[redacted]
Brooklyn 1, New York

Dear [redacted]:

Your letter postmarked April 8, 1954, and addressed to [redacted] of the FBI, has been received. I appreciate your thoughtfulness in bringing this information to our attention.

As a matter of convenience to you, it is suggested that in the future you communicate with our office at 290 Broadway, New York 7, New York.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

CC--New York, with copy of ~~incoming~~.
ATTENTION SAC: Correspondent previously submitted similar data on 3-1-54 which was referred to OSI by cover memorandum. His letter was acknowledged 3-10-54 and he was not advised of this referral. A copy of the attached letter from him is also being transmitted to OSI. You will note his statement that the information he furnishes is based solely on "impressions" rather than concrete facts.

NOTE: [redacted] Mail Clerk, assigned files, EOD 3-29- GS 5. Routing Unit advised they had received previous correspondence from [redacted] which was sent registered mail, return receipt requested. On the last two occasions, [redacted]s has signed the return receipt which accounts for the manner in whic correspondent obtained her name.

Copy of incoming by cover memo to OSI.

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BROOKLYN 1, N. Y.

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Latest reports listed
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Review, printed Since Au

April 6 1954

Federal Bureau of Investigation
Pennsylvania and 9th
Washington DC

Subject: Possible subversive ri

Gentlemen;

Further to my registered letter 33520 of March 1, listing persons wo
planned contacting for the new CIVILIAN SAUCER INTELLIGENCE, to discuss F
Saucers, I am sending a second report on membership. I have reached much
definite impressions since then, on some members, and enclose these for w
they are worth.

From her actions, general attitudes, and methods, I am almost positiv
[redacted] is part of some other group, possibly subversive, investig
the field for possible civilian information on the subject.

From her attitude, toward [redacted] and [redacted] her contacting me t
after I had written [redacted] twice after long activity, his unusual will
to cooperate with our group, different from his previous closemouthed att
I am almost positive he is part of the same group, and either directs her
the entire group in New York City. He does a great deal of travelling fr
New York to Washington and Baltimore, and may be some sort of courier.

A clipping has come in that [redacted] also previously listed,
states he is a research 'Assistante Professor' to PROFESSOR [redacted]
in Albuquerque, now studying 'Meteoritics'. I have nothing as to Profess
[redacted] background other than he has given out some peculiarly mis-infor
ideas on the subject in recent years.

These Include: a widely circulated release that the Green fireballs we
not 'natural' phenomena, and probably were American secret weapons: an a
in People Today that saucers and fireballs were probably coming from nort
Russian Bases; a news release that flying saucers over Northern Japan i
Jan. 1953, were probably Russian guided missiles, contrary to all known
performances of missiles.

After sending [redacted] some special information on saucer rep
he mentioned after long delay that he had been at Cambridge, Mass. Wheth
or not there is a connection, PROFESSOR [redacted], whox wrote a delib
misinformative and debunking book on flying saucers, lives near Cambridge
while working at Harvard. According to some persons who have supposedly
his daughter, they are unquestionably communists or fellow travellers. Ho
I am not sure of the character of the persons who met them and must stat
is only hearsay evidence.

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We have also received a call from a [redacted] is acting as agent for George Adamski, a speaker on the subject. Her telephone number was given as THE [redacted] She is supposedly cooperating with the British Book Center, in the publicising Adamskis books with Desmond Leslie, FLYING SAUCERS HAVE LANDED. He will speak at our meeting this Friday April 9th [redacted] has been especially energetic in putting this meeting across, in spite of Adamskis material.

Through [redacted] special efforts, a Mr. [redacted] of the [redacted] Bronx division may send reporters to this meeting, for a possible article writeup. Other then she seemed insistent that the [redacted] be contacted rather t other newspapers, I have nothing to add to Mr. [redacted]

All information enclosed, is sent for whatever value it may have. I continue sending this, until I wither quit this group, or subject. It sh be understood at all times, that this material is purely impressions I g from the behavior of the persons mentioned, and is not based on any conc facts I have been able to obtain. If at any time you require corresponde on these or any other correspondents, my files are at your disposal.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

[redacted]

Dir.

ER/

DATE: April 21, 1954

TO: Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

FROM: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

SUBJECT: [redacted]
BROOKLYN 1, NEW YORK

Reference is made to my letter of March 10, 1954, captioned as above.

Attached is a copy of a subsequent letter received from the above individual which is dated April 6, 1954. This is being furnished for whatever action is deemed appropriate and the correspondent has not been advised of this referral.

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Attachment

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APR 28 1954

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[redacted]
BROOKLYN 1, N. Y.

[redacted]

Latest reports li
analyzed in Flying
Review, printed Since

April 14 1954

Federal Bureau of Investigation
Pennsylvania & 9th
Washington DC

Gentlemen;

Further to my previous letters, I am attaching a photostat of some recent correspondence with a new subscriber, MR. [redacted] president of [redacted] From some of the facts mentioned in his letter, I think he may be a part of the possibly subversive grou that I have previously mentioned.

I find it very difficult to believe any ordinary person would spend depending on type of coverage, from $250. to $1200. per year, for 6 ye on clipping services, on a subject for whatever "pleasure I am able to out of it." And after this, remain "somewhat nebulous" on the matter. would suggest a check of files on this name as well as others previousl mentioned.

His appearance within 2 weeks after mentioning to [redacted] th it would require several thousand dollars, is also a little too well ti

She has also stated that the 6 person business meetings, held in he between public meetings is not too necessary, and that I only need appe She has spoken to Mr. [redacted] several times, and mentioned that he m able to appear at one of these business meetings, one planned for next

From this, I would assume that they either plan further attempts t obtain information from me, or make a possible business agreement to f work. I do not plan to enter any agreement, in the possibility it is o

If you require any further information, my files are at your dispos All above material is once again, from impressions I gather of the pers mentioned, and I do not have any concrete data to back these suspicion, have no accusations to make.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

[redacted]

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ooklyn 1, New York

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ve seen references to your Society arious clippings sent me by a Clipping eau, to which I've subscribed ever e the first saucers were sighted in '47.

sincere and intensive way you go about mulating data is very impressive, and I has been more definitely significant to than mine has been to me. But I've working alone without benefit of kin sp [illegible]

[illegible] clipping sent to me from S[illegible] o, you refer to "our magazine, Flying r Review." May I, as an outsider, cribe to this magazine, purchase back s? I'd like very much to see it if ble.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

MAR 2[illegible]

April Sixth Nineteen Fifty-Four

APR 7

[redacted]

I'm full of apologies and just a little embarrassed. Absence from the city prevented me from acknowledging before now your letter of March 23rd, and from attending last Friday's meeting. And my face is red because I mislaid your phone number, hence couldn't return your call.

There aren't many details to give about the clipping service to which I've subscribed since 1947. It is presumed to be national in coverage, but I'm afraid isn't quite as reliable as I'd like to have it. Goodness knows, I've been flooded with thousands of "clips" from all over the United States.

But from time to time I'd bump into stories that the clipping service missed, or friends send me tear sheets from local papers, that likewise aren't duplicated. So naturally I'm more concerned over the saucer reports I haven't seen rather than those I have.

I have practically no data on sightings outside the United States, other than as reported in United States newspapers.

You have been far more meticulous than I in [illegible] ing your data as evidenced by your Flying Saucer Review. Mine has been compiled solely for my own intelligence, and for what pleasure I'm able to get out of it.

Other than a more or less orderly and chronological arrangement in scrap books, it has [illegible]

NEW

There is one sentence in your letter that interests me very much, probably because I can't be certain what you mean. In referring to your work and data you say, "My chief field of research would be [illegible] historical reports where some discoveries exist but which is also more costly than even clipping agencies."

Can you clear that up a little?

I'm also confused over the existence of, apparently, two groups. What is the difference between Flying Saucer Researchers and Civilian Saucer Intelligence? I rather assumed they were one and the same, but following a call from Marilyn Feller I wasn't so su

I certainly wish we could get together somehow. [illegible] somewhere. Perhaps you'd take luncheon with me It would be a pleasure to have you. I'd enjoy hearing your theories. Mine, as I believe I said before, are somewhat nebulous, unless one can be specific about generalizations.

The enclosed check for the next 10 issues of your review, and I'd like to join one of the groups when I know which is what or vice versa.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

[redacted]

Date: March 10, 1954

To: Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: [redacted]
NEW YORK, NEW YORK

Attached is a copy of a communication dated March 1, 1954, received by this Bureau from captioned individual, together with a copy of one of his enclosures.

These data are being furnished your office for any action you deem advisable, and correspondent has not been notified of this referral.

For your information, [redacted] forwarded with his letter four other enclosures, all publications setting forth information concerning the activities of his organization.

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Note: Acknowledgement forwarded to [redacted] by Bulet dated 3/10/54.

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New York, New York

Dear [redacted]

Your letter of March 1, 1954, has been received, together with enclosures.

The thought prompting your advising me of the activities of your group is very much appreciated; however, I am unable to comply with your request.

For your information, data appearing in FBI files are confidential and available for official use only. I would like to point out that this Bureau is strictly a fact-finding agency and does not make evaluations or draw conclusions as to the character or integrity of any individual or organization.

I know you will understand the reasons for these rules and will not infer either that we do or that we do not have information relating to the individuals whose names you submitted to me.

Sincerely yours,

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NOTE: Neither correspondent nor his organization is identifiable in Bufiles. Bufile 62-83894 reflects that previous inquiries and data concerning flying saucers has been made available to OSI, which agency has primary jurisdiction. A copy of incoming and copy of the one of correspondent's enclosures listing the names of persons whom [redacted] has contacted is being forwarded to OSI by cover memorandum.

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BROOKLYN 1. N. Y.

The First Civilian Research
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to study all Saucer Phenomena

Latest reports listed
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March 1 1954

Federal Bureau of Investigation
Pennsylvania and 9th
Washington DC NW

Subj: Request for
Information

Gentlemen;

I have been printing an amateur magazine for several years on the Flying saucers for a small group. Recently, a New York City subscriber [redacted] has expressed a great interest in starting a separate group primarily for meetings and discussions of the subject, and I have supplied a listing of active and inactive persons from my files in NYC and New Jersey, as I do not have time to contact them myself.

The idea impresses me as a good one for a public information center but considering the importance of the subject, I feel it will attract unwanted members, possibly subversives. My chief basis for this was the mention of several subversive groups working in this field, mentioned by columns of Robert S. Allen and Dorothy Kilgallen, both generally informe on governmental matters.

I am therefore sending you a duplicate list of persons we have conta and would appreciate your checking these for the above reasons. This is purely a request for information, as I have no concrete facts for or aga them in any way. I realize your work is primarily with other government bureaus, however the importance of this subject would tend to place it o of the usual run of civilian matters.

Attached is some literature describing my own past work for inquirin newspapers, and some sample magazine. All information I have come solel from newspapers and eyewitnesses, and I have none, nor claim any governm contacts, or sources.

This is my own request only, and if I do not receive your reply in t next 2 weeks, I will assume this to mean there is nothing of consequence reply, and will state this to the group. I do not want to bring any per I know into a group I start, with the possibility of unknown subversives it,, and will be happy to cooperate in any way you may feel necessary.

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If you feel there is some action or information to be studied, pleas contact me at my office; [redacted] NYC, phone [redacted] during the daytime; or at my home at [redacted] Brooklyn, phone [redacted]
Thanking you for your attention in this matter~~; I remain~~

New Jersey

GENERAL INFORMATION SHEET
OF THE
[redacted]CE, [redacted]

The [redacted] has been founded to promote better public knowledge and attitudes toward flying saucers by means of public meetings, and also to further flying saucer Research. We feel that you are interested in such an important subject, and therefore list below our present plans for coming meetings, for your consideration.

Planned topics: Some discussions and lectures of C.S.I. meetings will include:

1 Discussions of all alleged landing reports made withing the United States.

2 Discussions of all possible theories of saucer origin and a questions-answer period following each.

3 Discussions of Menzels, Heards, Adamskis and Keyhoes theories.

4 Discussion and display of latest saucer reports and similar phenomena.

5 Discussion of famous Green Fireball phenomena.

6 Display and discussion of various saucer aircraft types.

EXHIBITS: Material discussing saucer reports will be on display in room. These will include:

1 Saucer photos and authentic sketches from eyewitness reports, on loan from the FLYING SAUCER RESEARCHERS.

2 Famous front page reports, from 1946 to 1952, from leading newspapers.

3 Historical reports from 1860 on, from original newspaper reports and old magazines.

MEMBERSHIP CHARGE:

1 A one year membership in the group, is $1.00 per person. You will receive a membership card, and possibly a lapel pin later.

2 Dues of .50¢ per meeting will be charged. These funds will be used to notify you of each meeting, and printing a group bulletin giving a resume of each meeting, and the planned schedule of the next one.

MEMBERSHIP PRIVELEGES:

1 Lending library of material on all unidentified flying objects. This includes all books, and more than 100 magazine articles, with clippings attached.

2 Free Information on all saucer

[redacted] DEC 26 1951

Written, edited, and printed by
[redacted] Wall Street Station, NY5 NY

PURPOSE: 1 To obtain as many reports as possible using this magazine as the clearing center for all reports, in order to keep up to date on all saucer sightings.

2 To study these reports for individual and overall patterns in an attempt to understand the motives and possible future actions of the extra-terrestials causing them.

POLICIES: The Saucer Review is a quarterly newsmagazine printed in exchange for these clippings, for persons who recognize the importance of this phenomenon, and who want to help follow it by sending in all recent or old reports in their papers.

The Saucer Review uses all clippings received to directly contac the original area of sighting, for the most complete and best coverage of each report.

You can obtain extra clippings by calling your local papers and asking for the clipping department or 'library', then asking for the dates of newspaper editions that carried saucer clippings and meteor reports, and then either sending the requested amount in postage, or informing the Review who will obtain the reports. This is a sure method of catching reports you may miss as they appear in the papers and also get them as far back as 7 months. One method of easing the asking for thes reports is to ask for meteor datea, and mention they might mistakenly be included among Flying Saucer Reports.

The DATE of each report is extremely important, and each clipping would be more useful with the newspaper name and date torn out and sent with the clipping.

The [redacted] analyzes all flying saucer reports ubing as a working theory, not a definitely established fact that they are caused by one or more extra-terrestial life forms. This is in turn based upon a careful study of all available historical reports, including the Works of Charles Fort; during this study, 1 fact located definitely backs this origin, with much more unexplained data apparently backing it. However, the entire subject is still open to other theories, as there is simply insufficient data at present to abbsolute prove their origin, and this working theory will be used untill such proof is presented.

CONTENTS: Section 1 - Rewrite Section of all reports down to the basic facts of description of object and its actions, to separate newspaper color from reports, in making analysis.

Section 2 - Analysis Section of all reports to find if any motive or pattern can be discovered, and possible future activity.

Section 3 - Historical Report Section of past reports with

ANALYSIS OF SAUCER REPORTS #15 to 43, from July 1 to October 30, 1951

NOTE: [redacted] analyzes flying saucer reports using as a temporary working theory, not as a definitely established fact, that they are caused by one or more extra-terrestial life forms. This in turn is based upon a careful personal study of the various books on the subject, including the works of Charles Fort; during this study, I fact seems to definitely back this theory with much more unexplaine date apparently backing it. However, the entire subject is still considered open to other theories, as there is simply insufficient data that will give absolute,acceptable to any theory of their origin Until such proof is available, and has a more or less scientific basi this working theory will be used.

OVERALL PATTERNS:

#1 Amount of saucer activity - has definitely increased, from 14 repo during the first 6 months, to 28 during the following 4 months. I believe this was caused by the closest approach of Venus in 19 months with Venus Inferior Conjunction occurring on Sept. 3, and the 4 (know formations of gigantic saucers (or saucer carriers) observed over Tex. 2 weeks prior to this date. My records show this has been generally true of Mars and Venus approaches in the last 7 years, and I list som prior data backing this; it is interesting to note that the rare "rocketship" sightings were observed on these dates.

July 1948	Venus Inferior Conjunction	(Keyhoe 72,162
July20, 1948	Arnheim, Holland. Rocketship-like object with 2 decks no wings, was seen 4 times, travelling at great speed	
July 24 1948	US. Famous Chiles-Whitted observation of a blue-edge rocketship with flaming red exhaust occurred (Keyhoe6	
July 26 1948	Brisbane, Australia. Large 'meteor' passed over. It ~~was watched for 10 seconds by an airline pilot whose~~ description was "a bluish-steel colored ball with trailing red flame", and which he thought at first wa a "rocket rather then an aircraft". (Apparently, the possibility of its being a meteor did not occur to this trained observer.) (Doubt Vol. 24, p367)	
Aug-Oct 1946	Sweden. Hundreds of rocket-like fiery objects were observed.	
Nov. 12 1946	Venus Inferior Conjunction.	
Nov. 12 1946	Providence Bay, Siberia. Huge fiery-white object crossed over. NY Times	
May 1945	Venus Inferior Conjunction	
June 1 1945	Morgantown, North Carolina. Silvery rocketship-like object apparently struck nearby mountains. (Doubt)	

Of course, this does not explain all reports, just that an increase o such dates is noticcable. Very generally speaking, Venus seems to mea rockets and fiery cone-like or ball-like objects, and Mars opposition seem to mean saucers, aerial explosions, and peculiar earthquakes, an parallel Forts conclusions on earlier approaches. Considering the Mars Opposition coming up on APRIL 30, 1952, and the recent increase of reportsduring the Venus Conjunction, a new phase of saucer activit may be expected, possibly direct communication or landings in some prominent area, such as Kansas, which is noted for its long and suspicious history of meteors and meteoric explosions, the last such being on Feb. 18, 1948, when a tremendous explosion occurred over it

#2 Area of Activity: has shifted from far west to general areas of midwest, central south, and northwest. Indiana had 3 reports in 1 day within a 100 mile area, or 4 reports in 7 days. Texas had 6 very important reports in 5 days, while the NY, N.J. and Pennsylvania area had 6 reports in 2 months, formerly a very weak area for observations

#3 Types of saucers: The reports of saucer formations over Texas are unusual in 2 ways -- almost all reports since 1947 have been nearly all of single saucers seen. Also, the huge size of these saucerships is almost unknown, the last aerial object known to be their size was the Mantell report over Godman Field on Jan. 6 1948, and these huge craft possibly hint a serious changeover in action. The 2 reports of rocket-like ships over Denmark and Norway are similar to the Aug-Oct. 1946 "ghost rockets" over Sweden, previously mentioned.

GENERAL ANALYSIS OF SINGLE REPORTS:

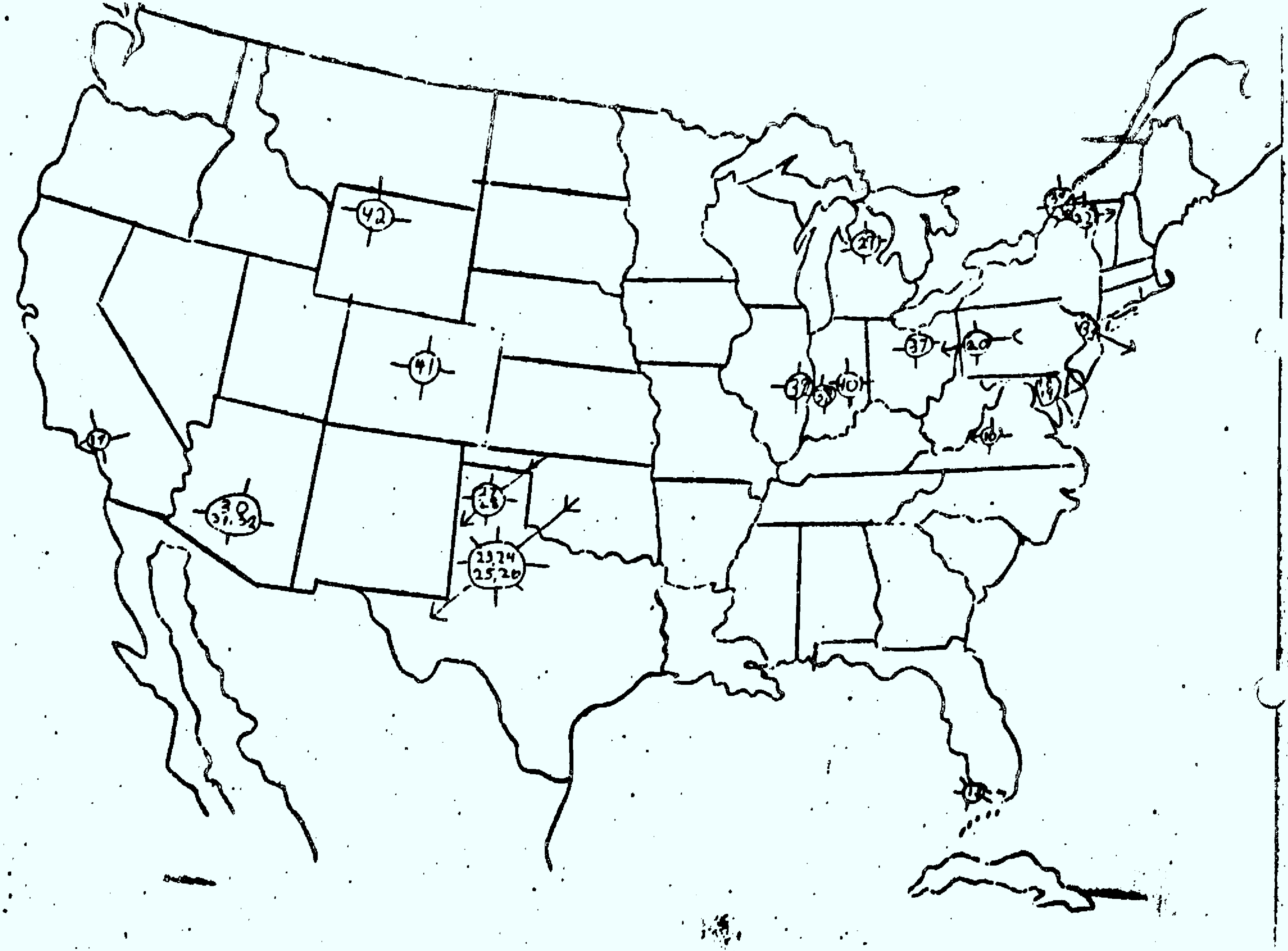
#15 Florida; Insufficient information for definite conclusions, but apparently the observers on board the sailing vessel did see something falling from the sky; a meteor would be very difficult, if not impossible to watch, and would strike the ocean with immense impact. As no known aircraft were missing, and nothing was found, it is possible this object was (A) a saucer landing underwater, as has been reported several times in the past, (B) refuse ejected from a saucer similar to the dozen or so inexplainable "iceblocks" that have fallen on England in the last 3 years or (C) some sort of communication signal. This is the second of 3 "falling or burning" airplanes seen in a 4½ month period, the others being at Paducah, Ky on May17, and Grayling, Mich on Sept. 7.

#16 Lynchburg, Va. A typical saucer report. Object resembled no known aircraft, hovered as only a helicopter could, then zigzagged as no plane can do, and which would result in a stall, if attempted.

#17 Los Angeles, California: An ordinary report withan interesting sidelight. One of the minor saucer puzzles is the connection between the rather varied types of objects seen, ranging from the 1,000 foot object over Godman Field, to 200 foot rocketships, to 40 foot saucers to the 1 or 2 foot self-luminous globes. This is the first report I have that shows a definite connection between the ordinary mysterious saucers, and the very mysterious luminous small globes, whose size makes its propulsion very difficult to imagine. Keyhoe has theorized the saucer is a pilot-carrying ship, and the luminous small globes are a non-pilot TV or radar reconnaisance device; while a writer under Palmers wing has theorized they are the actual 1 foot form of life of the extraterrestial. The maneuverings of the 2 objects, alternatively leading each other does nothing to clear up the problem, although the 4 or 5 flashes seem to indicate some sort of communication by the globe, and are reminiscent of similar flashes mentioned in the last issue of Saucer Review.

#18 Hagerstown, Maryland: Insufficient information for definite conclusions, but included because of later occurrences in same arc. Possibly an airplane at great making its tail light seem to move slowly.

#19 Ohio, Pennsylvania, Maryland; Object apparently intercepted 2 times by aircraft, and probably was a weather baloon. A very noticeable fact is that all reports describe the object as moving very slowly and being visible for many moments - completely contrary to most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JUNE 29 1951? Daytime? TEN THOUSAND ISLAND area, FLORIDA. 26° Lat, 81
Object resembling a small plane fell into sea. No know
aircraft missing, and widespread search found nothing.
#15 SOURCE: ST. PETERSBURG TIMES JULY 2

JULY 6, 1951 6:25 - 6:29 AM. LYNCHBURG, Virginia. 37½° Lat, 79° Long.
Sky Clear. A bright orange disc-like object hovered ;
high in sky, suddenly zigzagged about, then appeared to
roll on edge as it moved westward in a straight course
without any visible exhaust and audible sound.
#16 SOURCE: LYNCHBURG NEWS SEPT 28, personal letter.

JULY 7, 1951 Evening. LOS ANGELES, California. 34° Lat., 118½° Long.
Brilliant motionless light hovered high in sky. Later,
a pale circular disc appeared under it, and then both
objects suddenly moved southwards, with disc leading.
They suddenly changed direction, and light now lead dis
Then the light blinked on and off 4-5 times, went out,
and disc sped away at great speed.
#17 SOURCE: FATE MAGAZINE NOV 1951 letter section.

JULY 30 1951 12;00 PM (MONDAY) HAGERSTOWN, Maryland. 45° Lat, 77¾° Long
Bright light high in sky moving slowly in northwest sky
#18 SOURCE: Hagerstown Morning Herald Aug 3

AUG. 1, 1951 Morning (WEDNESDAY) CLEVELAND, Ohio. 41¼° Lat, 81¾° Lon
Unknown object at 35,000 feet was apparently intercepte
by 4 airplanes, and tentatively identified as a weather
baloon.
SOURCE: Detroit Free Press Aug 2

AUG. 1, 1951 Morning (WEDNESDAY) YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio. 41° Lat, 80½° Lon
Same aerial object sighted.
PITTSBURGH PRESS AUG 1

AUG. 1, 1951 Afterhoon (WEDNESDAY). BUTLER, Penna. 41° Lat, 80° Long
Silvery sphere approximately 150-200 feet wide, interce
-ed at 45,000 feet by group of jets, identifying it as
a weather baloon
SOURCE: NY Daily News AUG 2

AUG. 1, 1951 7:30 to 9:00 PM. (WEDNESDAY) HAGERSTOWN, Maryland.
Oblong silvery object with reddish and bluish edges, and
possibly carrying 2 lights, moved slowly from northwest
to southeast. Height calculated from different airport
simultaneously as 19,000 feet, 37,000 feet, and 78,000
SOURCES: Hagerstown Morning Herald Aug 2,3 Pittsburgh
Sun Telegraph Aug. 2

AUG. 1, 1951 8:50 PM? FREDERICK COUNTY, Maryland. 39½° Lat, 77¼° Lo
Same object seen, but becoming dimmer.
SOURCES: Hagerstown Morning Herald Aug 2

AUG. 1, 1951 9:00 PM? (Dusk) HAGERSTOWN, Maryland. 45° Lat, 77¾° Lon
A small luminous object crossed sky at speed greater
than silvery object.
#19 SOURCE: Hagerstown Morning Herald Aug 2

AUG. 1, 1951 — 10:00 PM? (Dark) HAGERSTOWN, Maryland. 45° Lat, 77° Long..
Flashes of light apparently at regular intervals came from eastern sky, and was ascribed to a thunderhead cloud
SOURCE: Hagerstown Morning Herald Aug 2, 3

11:00 PM? (Dark) HAGERSTOWN, Maryland. 45° Lat, 77° Long
Auroral or northern light appeared on horizon.
SOURCE: Hagerstown Morning Herald Aug 2

AUG. 2, 1951 — 9:00 PM? (Thursday) HOMEWOOD, Penna. 40½° Lat, 80° Long.
Cigar or oval-shaped, self-luminous object sped noiselessly across sky from horizon to horizon in 60 seconds.
SOURCE: Pittsburgh Sun Telegraph Aug 2; Pittsburgh Post Gazette Aug 2
#20

AUG. 12 1951? — Daytime? NORTHERN NORWAY. 68° Latitude, 16° Longitude.
Aerial Object resembling a rocket guided missile, passed over 4 fishermen from direction of the Artic.
SOURCE: NY World Telegram and Sun Aug 15
#21

AUG. 13 1951 — Near Shiraz, Iran. 30° Latitude, 53° Longitude
Falling 'meteors' killed 300 sheep, cows, donkeys, 12 persons injured 19 people, and flattened 62 buildings.
SOURCE: NY state newspaper.

AUG. 20 1951? — Near MALONE, New York. 45° Latitude, 53° Longitude.
Larger silvery ball-like object at great height crossed sky at great speed travelling eastward.
SOURCE: MASSENA Observer Oct 8
#22

AUG. 20 1951? — Monday Evening? LUBBOCK, Texas. 33½° Lat., 102° Long.
A group of glowing objects in an uneven crescent formation, crossed sky at great speed, observed by the Journalism Professor of Texas Tech.
SOURCE: DALLAS Morning News Aug 27
#23

AUG. 24 1951 — 9:10 PM. (Saturday) LUBBOCK, Texas. 33½° Lat, 102° Long.
A group of glowing objects in uneven crescent formation (resembling a string of beads), noiselessly crossed sky in 3 seconds, from Northeast towards southwest. Depending on approximate heights estimated from 5,000 to 50,000 feet, their speed was between 1,800 mph, and 18,000 mph and size of each object was between 1,000 and 10,000 feet in diameter. Observed by 3 Texas Tech professors with astronomical training at a meeting, and a German teacher from Texas Tech elsewhere in same city. No known jet planes in flight.
SOURCES: NY World Telegram & Sun Aug 27; FATE Magazine Jan. 1952; AMARILLO Daily News Aug 27; Dallas Morning News Aug 27; Lamesha Daily Reporter Aug 27.
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saucer reports where the object flashes past in a blur during 10-15 seconds of observation. Included in the story are 3 suspicious facts which suggest,saucers were active, if they werent observed. The apparently regular flashes of light in the eastern sky suggest signals but was conveniently ascribed to a thunderhead cloud, as no thunderstorm could be located. The 'auroral' light seen appears doubtful - while they might be seen any day in the year, they are rare in August, particularly at this latitude, and seems a weak identification. The third fact, a 'spot of light' seen crossing the sky at a speed greater than the ballons speed, at dusk, seems to be the real saucer report, as none of the airports watching the baloon mention that they had any aircraft coming in th land or intercept the baloon at Hagerstown. Also an airplane would be nearly invisible, and its navigation light would appear more as a pinpoint, intermittently flashing rather than a 'spot'. The activity surrounding this report resembles the Sept. 19 1950 ballon the floated over Missouri 6 hours, and was followed the next day by 3 giant 'meteors' that flashed down from Idaho to Colorado to Missouri and 1 from Tennessee; also the Feb. 13* report where a saucer was seen watching a baloon over Alamagordo. Apparently, they are interested in terrestial baloons.

#20 Homewood, Pa. Shape marks it as no known aircraft, speed much too great for aircraft, too slow for meteor as it was carefully watched from horizon to horizon by many residents, and was noiseless as most saucers.

#21 Norway; A rare rocketship object. It is very doubtful the Russians would need to experiment with their top secret rocket missiles near foreign countries, with their own vast barren areas in Siberia. Even if they had such a need, their long past history of secrecy of jet and rocket ~~missiles and ai~~rcraft make it doubtful whether they ~~allow it~~. It has taken us 'only' a year to get parts of a MIG 15 from korea as they do not allow flights even near the border, while I have clippings of about 6 Russian aircraft from US flying magazines where even the identification numbers are confused - each one with 2 or 3 numbers, because even photographs are nearly impossible to obtain. Another possibility may be one of the Swedish guided missiles being tested, although firing the over Norway does not seem neither a safe nor friendly testing procedure. This report probably a rocketship related somehow to the saucerships.

Shiraz, Iran; This is included not as a saucer report, but as something possibly connected with them, in the same manner as the unexplainable falling iceblocks and falling airplane. Considering this item did not attain much prominence in the newspapers, and the lack of history of such 'meteoric storms', it appears more as a badly reported, violent hailstorm rather than anything else.

#22 Malone, N.Y.: Typical saucer observation, made while an airliner was in the air, and which would preclude the possibility the observer mis-identified a conventional aircraft.

#23 Luboock, Texas; First of 4 groups of gigantic saucers, possibly arriving direct from Venus, with conjunction 2 weeks later. Observed by a Texas Tech. professor, the first of 5 professors to see objects.

#24, 25, 25 Lubbock, Texas: This set of reports are probably the most authentic and most important report yet made. Seen and timed by 3

AUG. 24 1951 — 9:15 PM? (Saturday) LUBBOCK, Texas. 33½° Lat, 102° Long. Similar group of objects in same type formation crossed sky travelling in same direction. Second photograph taken showed 18 luminous objects on film.
SOURCES: Same as report #24

#26

AUG. 25 1951 — 9:15 PM. (Sunday) AMARILLO, Texas. 35° Lat., 106° Long. 2 self-luminous pinkish objects, one apparently on top the other, crossed sky at a speed greater than any jet plane, travelling southwesterly.
SOURCES: Amarillo Daily News Aug. 27

#27

AUG. 25 1951 — 9:20 PM. (Sunday) AMARILLO, Texas. 35° Lat., 106° Long. 5 self-luminous pink objects in uneven formation, crossed sky at speed greater than a jet plane, travelling southwesterly.
SOURCE: Amarillo Daily News Aug 27

#28

SEPT. 3, 1951 — VENUS INFERIOR CONJUNCTION.

SEPT 7, 1951 — 10:00 AM. Near Grayling, Michigan. 44½° Lat, 85° Long. Object resembling an airplane apparently exploded in air, and then crashed on ground. No known planes missing, none found, and airforcexbase nearby claimed its personnel had fired a flare into sky about same time.
SOURCE: NY Telegram & Sun Sept 8; Grand Rapids Press Sept 7; Traverse City Record Sept. 7.

#29

SEPT 9, 1951 — 1:00 AM. (Sunday). Near PHOENIX, Arizona. 33½° Lat, 112° Lo. A bright light (resembling a large star), hovered over Southern Mountain, then darted left, then right, for several minutes.
SOURCE: Phoenix Gazette Sept. 10,11: Fate Maz Jan 1952

#30

SEPT 10 1951 — 1:00 AM. (Monday). Near PHOENIX, Arizona. 33½° Lat, 112° Lon. A bright light (resembling a large star), under telescopic observation was found to be a large brilliant light, with 2 smaller equally brilliant lights on either side (now resembling a diamond bar brooch). It flashed from green to blue to amber at regular intervals, as it hovered, slanted right and left, circled, and made long swooping passes over Camelback Mountain.
SOURCES: Phoenix Gazette Sept 10,11: Fate Mag. Jan 1952

#31

SEPT 11 1951 — 1:00 AM. (Tuesday). Near PHOENIX, Arizona. 33½° Lat, 112° Lo. Same bright light hovered over Camelback Mountain, flashed from pale sea green to icy blue to amber with a hint of red, as it hovered, darted about and made swooping passes over area.
SOURCES: Phoenix Gazette Sept. 10,11: Fate Mag. Jan 1952

#32

SEPT 11 1951 — 11:35 AM. (Tuesday). From SANDY HOOK to REDBANK, N.J.

#34 Hogansburg, N.Y: A clearly described report, and completely confusing one: Even with the already wide variety of sizes, shapes, colors, and speeds of the Saucer Family, this one is new, and considering its slow speed, I am inclined to class it as just an unusual radio controlled airplane model made by an airplane model enthusiast. Chief weakness of this idea is that the inventor was not seen during flight, even on the second day, nor known to be in area.

35 Denmark; Similar to Norway report #7, with same remarks applying and probably a 'ghost rocket'. The object came from Communist Germa and its apparent course northward would land it in Sweden or Norway. Russian origin again very doubtful.

#36 Lodi, Ohio; Short report, but definitely a saucer, with speed greater than jet plane, making a [illegible]instantaneous stop, and a right angle turn that would squash a human. Its hissing noise is a rare characteristic of a saucer, but it might have been very low or have been caused by the nearby passing train at the same time.
(It is interesting to note in connection with this report, that the latest and fastest rocket plane to fly, the Douglas XS4, recently fle at a speed calculated to be 1500 mph, and the pilot announced that he was "completely unable to turn" at the end of this high test speed, probably due to the ineffectivences of the ailerons or whatever was used on this multiple powered Delta wing , in the thin air of that testing altitide. Obviusly, the problem of even steering aircraft at such speeds has not been solved, yet this report has the object making a complete stop, then a right angle turn. Who said that sauc were American aircraft?)

#37 Terre Haute, Indiana: Another excellent authentic report by 2 me with a totoal of 26 years of observing aircraft. The same difficulty in judging height, but speed immensely faster than any terrestial pla ranging from 3,000 to 42,000 mph depending on height, with best approximation being 18,000 mph at 5,000 feet.

#38 Paris, Illinois; Object resembled baloon, but flyers could not come closer to it in 10 minutes, and when it moved, it disappeared in a very short time. According to [redacted], a baloon may appear close although miles away, but this object just sped off when it decided to move, meaning it was a baloon, it was motionless, for a second, then moved off suddenly at 150 -300 mph to outspeed the private airplane, which is quite convenient for [redacted], if impossible for a baloon.

#39 Indianapolis, Indiana: The great speed and instantaneous stop, the instantaneous resumption of speed in mid air, mark this as a sauc report, similar to Report #22. This is an unusual amount of activity in a limited area, with 3 reports in a day, reason unknown.

#40 Denver. Colorado; Not a saucer report, but suspiciously resemblin the falling iceblocks. 'Meteor' examined by Astronomer Dr. [redacted] [redacted], who said it was unlike any material known to be a meteor, and he hinted it was not meteoric at all, However, the 5 year old child it fell near ran to tell his mother a "fireball" just fell from heave and it seems doubtful a child this age could manufacture such a story Considering both statements, it is propably true the object is not meteor, but did fall from the sky, and possibly from a saucer. This report in same latitude as reports #23 and #24.

Even if the minumum figures are accepted, it is obvious that no US or foreign aircraft could have been mistaken. The largest known bomber, the B36, has a wingspan of 240 feet, and the fastest aircraft, the 61 Bell rocket plane, Douglas 558-2, the X84 Douglas Rocket plane each have reached the speeds of 1,000 -1,500 mph only for a few seconds, and only 1 model of each is in existence. Their size mentioned so glibly in the newspaper is staggering. To grasp their size, the Queen Elizabeth steamship is 975 feet long, the Empire State building is 1,250 feet high, while these saucerships start at this size and may reach upwards of 2 miles in diameter.

One argument raised in the October 1950 issue of Galaxy magazine by rocket authority Willey Ley against the extra-terrestial origin of the saucers, is that their 40 foot size is much to small to make any prolonged interplanetary journey; While this statement means almost nothing - we are at present totally ignorant of a half-dozen forces such as gravity, magnetism, radiation pressure and havent the faintest ideas of their potentialities - this report should wrap up this 'argument'; small saucers dont need to make such a trip, they could be carried by the hundredsin such a craft as reported here, as a flattop carier carries navy planes.

These last 3 formations came in only 9 days before the Venus Inferior Conjunction, and considering their size and large formation, I am inclined to believe a new phase of activity will begin, as previously mentioned, possibly direct communication or prominent landings.

#27 Amarillo, Texas; The objects self-luminosity disagrees with an airplanes small and intermittent lights, and observers statement they were faster than any jet plane he had seen tend to back their saucer origin. The formation appears again, but apparently the objects were much smaller as they were watched for a longer time and a definite shape could be made out.

#29 Grayling, Michigan; The third "falling Airplane". Same comments apply to this as other reports; May have been ejected material, landin saucer, or signal attempt. As it occurred near an air force base, they had a convenient explanation ready, which may or may not have been true, considering their past evasive history. This report nearly in same latitude as report #8.

#30,31,32 Phoenix, Arizona: The most interesting and colorful report, and similar in its antics to the May 22 report over Kansas, where a white small globe chased an airliner. Considering the May 22 report occurred on the Date of Mars Extreme Opposition behind the sun, and this Sept 7 report occurred 3 days after the Venus Conjunction, I am inclined to think these are a fifth saucer type - a signal saucer communicating their origin by means of flashing lights, colors, and movements. As no helicopters were stated to be flying, no terrestial craft could be able to duplicate its performance. This report in same latitude as Lubbock reports.

#33 Sandy Hook, N.J: Another fine report by 2 observers fully capable of identifying weather baloons and meteors. Saucer was of ordinary size, shape, and color, and travelled with the usual great speed, which was so great the saucer apperently did not even bother to race away from the pursuing P80, but merely continued at same speed on its path. This ocurred within hours of the last Phoenix report and there might be some connecti

OCT. 2, 1951 11:00 PM. HOGANSBURG, N.Y. 45° Lat, 74¾° Long.
A 4 foot dark brown, rubber-like ball, with a 2 foot brass shaft, and a propellor on top of shaft, landed with a humming noise in a pasture. It was later seen 400 feet in the air, came down vertically, bounced 3 times, and landed for 4 minutes. It then took off at 25 mph toward Massena, NY and was followed by 4 people in a truck. Washington Air Force spokesman and nearby colleges using meteorological baloons stated they had nothing resembling this object.
#34 SOURCES: NY World Telegram & Sun Oct 3; Massena Observer Oc

OCT. 2, 1951 Evening. EASTERN Denmark. 56° Lat., 9° Long.
Giant rocket travelling at great speed crossed sky coming from direction of Germany.
#35 SOURCE: Brooklyn Eagle Oct 3

OCT 3, 1951 Afternoon. Near Massena, NY. 45° Lat., 74¾ Long.
The same 4 foot brown ball landed along the Scheil Channel
#36 SOURCE: Massena Observer Oct. 4

OCT. 6, 1951 Daytime. LODI, Ohio. 41° 82° Longitude.
An object resembling a barrel, and making a hissing noise crossed sky at great height with [illegible] speed greater than any aircraft. During its course, it stopped without slowing and made a right angle turn, and sped northward.
#37 SOURCE: Indiana Star Oct 11

OCT. 9, 1951 1:42 PM. TERRE HAUTE, Indiana. 39½°, Latitude, 87½° Long.
A round or oval-shaped, whitish-metallic ball crossed sky from horizon to horizon at a speed estimated between 3,000 mph and 42,000 mph. Seen by 2 CAA observers with 10 and 16 years of aircraft observation respectively. Both stated it could not have been a baloon.
#38 SOURCE: Terre Haute Tribune Oct 11; Terre Haute Star Oct11

OCT 9, 1951 2:10 to 2:20 PM. PARIS, Illinois. 39¾° Lat, 88° Long.
Wind speed 10 mph. A brilliant white, round object hoveri in air for 10 minutes, while a private airplane tried to approach it, but apparently came no closer. It then sped off.
#39 SOURCE: Terre Haute Tribune Oct 11

OCT. 9, 1951 6:30 PM. Near INDIANAPOLIS, Indiana. 39¾° Lat, 86° Long.
A whitish ball-like object crossed sky at great speed, rose almost vertically, hung motionless in sky for a secon and then sped off.
#40 SOURCE: Indiana Star Oct 11

OCT. 15 1951 2:30 PM. DENVER, Colorado. 39½° Lat., 105° Long.
A fiery ball fell from sky and landed near a child. It was a 35# block of material of unknown origin, and examination by an astronomer, Dr. Fath, resulted in its classification as not like any known meteoric stone.
#41 SOURCE: NY World Telegram & Sun Oct 18; Denver Post Oct18,

OCTOBER 1951? Daytime. CODY, Wyoming. 44° Lat., 109° Long.
Clear sky, nothing in flight. A photograph was taken of nearby land and mountains by a vacationing couple. Upon

#41 Cody, Wyoming: A confusing report. The object resembled no known bird or moth or aircraft, but does resemble the coming "Delta Wing" airplane shape, with a rocketship-like tube body. Its lack of motor noise is typical of saucer reports. It is also doubtful the newspaper would or could fake the photo, and naturally would need th negative to check it, and make prints. On the other hand, the enti top of the photo appears different than the bottom, being somewhat grainy, and the object has a sort of white edging as is noticed in super-imposition photography. I am inclined to accept report on bas the newspaper would not fake it. Will try to get more on this repo

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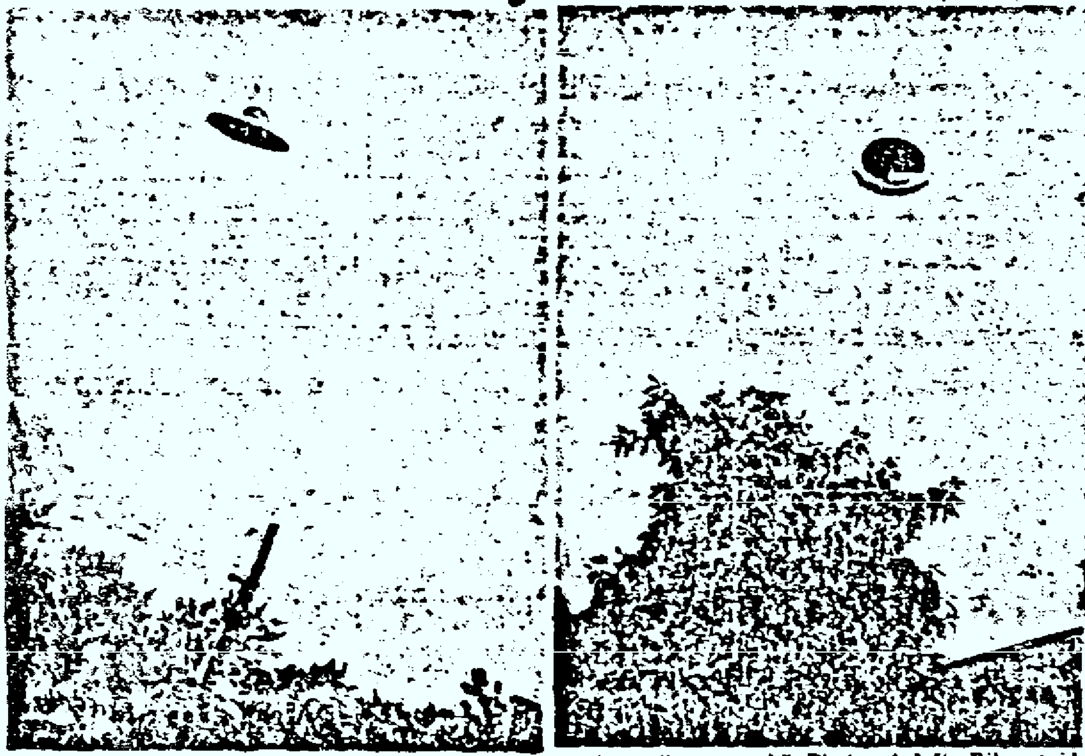
Is This Object, Seen In Passaic, A 'Saucer'?



Flying saucer? That's what is is, according to John H. Riley, a professional photographer, of 5[illegible]1 Main St. He said he snapped these two pictures near 221 Brook Ave., Passaic, about 10:15 m. yesterday, as the disc "hovered 200 feet above the ground." Photo at left, Riley said, shows disc tilted "as though observing the ground." At right, he said the disc is shown shortly before it gathered speed and disappeared.

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John H. Riley, 28, of
Main St., is a photograp
who believes a pictur
worth a thousand wo
as the saying goes.

So into The Call of
he came last night, as
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He thumbed throug
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at 221 Brooks Ave., P
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According to Riley,
saucer was traveling sou
east at a leisurely sp
when it was sighted
Stock. As it drew nea
Riley said, it came alm
to a complete stop
hovered overhead, ab
200 feet from the grou
for several moments.

"It was so near," R
said, "it could have b
hit with a rifle." Pes

He described the disc
being 30 feet in diame
and grayish in color
a large dome jutting f
its center. Riley said
saucer made no son

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PERFORMANCE STANDARDS OF CONVENTIONAL OBJECTS

Aircraft: All are T shaped, none circular: only a dozen flying wing
types now flying: only helicopter can hover, very few available to
Balloons: Moves very slowly to vision: cannot travel at great speed,
but only at local wind speed: cannot sharply maneuver; not silvery
Meteors: Duration about 3-6 seconds, 15 seconds rare: daytime report
extremely rare: has only one path, cannot maneuvers usually luminou
Missiles: Has fuel for few minutes only: all are tubular in shape: no

#1 FEB. 1, 1953 1:30 AM? WASHINGTON, PE) 40¼°, 80¼°. One Flat silvery disk with 2 tail pipes, crossed sky faster than fastest je (COMMENT: The tail pipes mentioned are unknown in almost all sauce

#2 FEB 1, 1953. 10:30 PM. BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA. 33½°, 86¾°. Two fi streaks of red lights or reddish saucers remained in sky for short then raced away(COMMENT: This report doubtful, due to nearby mill

#3 FEB.1, 1953. Morning. GEORGETOWN BAY, TASMANIA. One flyi saucer rotated as it noiselessly crossed sky at terrific speed at feet. (COMMENT: Tasmania is south of Australia, and not near any k airforce or military base.)

#4 FEB. 2, 1953. Noon. PASADENA, CALIFORNIA. 42⅛°, 118¼°. One ver brilliant disk with a hole in center hovered for 1 or 2 minutes no ly, then disappeared. (COMMENT: This is a very rare saucer shape, was reported occaisionally in 1947 when saucers were first seen.)

#5 FEB. 2, 1953. 5;00 P.M. HALIFAX, NOVA SCOTIA, CANADA. Avery lon white streak crossed sky, but investigation located no known aircr

#6 FEB. 3 1953. Afternoon. WINSLOW, ARIZONA. 35°, 110¾° Three si objects flying close together changed to red color, then back to s as they crossed sky and disappeared in a few seconds.

#7 FEB. 3 1953. 4:15 PM. VILLE ST. LAURENT, QUEBEC, CANADA. 45½°, Tremendous explosion in sky broke windows within 6 miles. Only 2 k aircraft were not doing sonic speeds or approaching them.

#8 FEB. 3 1953. 5:02 to 5:07 PM. SUDBURY, ONTARIO. 46½°, 81°. A si object, ½ the size of the full moon, remained motionless in sky fo minutes. It was elongated like a barrage balloon, but none were in

#9 FEB. 3, 1953. 7:30 P.M. NORTH ATLANTIC OCEAN. A brilliant flare from ocean. No aircraft survivors were ever found in area where ai crashed.

#10 FEB. 3 1953. 11:20 P.M. HARTFORD (AND NEARBY COUNTIES), CONN. A bright flash of light in sky, followed by a brilliant ball of fire lasted several seconds. Three minutes later, a huge explosion in s rocked area. (COMMENT: This appears to be an exceptionally large m except that no meteor shower was scheduled for this date, and its to the mysterious rising 'flare' seen 3½ hours earlier in the Atla

#11 FEB. 3, 1953. Evening. LEXINGTON, OREGON. 45½°, 119½°. An obje appeared to throw off blue light crossed sky. (COMMENT: Although a many flights of balloons, the blue color and after dark observatio tend to back this being an unknown object, as the sunset makes bal appear red.)

#12 FEB. 4? 1953. Evening?? SAUGERTIES, NEW YORK. A reddish light in sky. No details available.

#13 FEB. 5? 1953. Afternoon. MORBIERE, FRANCE. 47½°, 5°. Brillia or bright spot appeared in a vapor trail after the airplane crosse leaving a huge trail, and remained in same place after winds blew trail away.

#14 FEB. 6 1953. 10:00 A.M. Near INDIO, CALIFORNIA. A saucer-like hovering in sky was joined by another saucer-like object, and both in same area for next 2 hours. (COMMENT: The 2 hour period is

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Marine Here Snaps 'Disc'

JULY 30 - 1952

By LARRY BIRGER, Miami Daily News Staff Writer

OK

A strange "orange, yellowish object traveling at more than 2000 m.p.h." was photographed last night by a Marine cameraman watching from a Miami Beach home.

Forty feet of film were taken of the object as it flashed across the sky, the Marine reported. however, showed any image.

Only eight frames of the film.

The "object," which observers said they saw for about three minutes and 30 seconds, was photographed around 9:35 p. m. by Pfc. Ralph C. Mayher, 22, of 60 NE 78th St., and Cleveland, O.

Officials of the Marine Corps Air Station in Opa-locka released the pictures and information at 2 p.m. today without comment.

Shot From Patio

The films were shot from the patio of the home of Herman Stern, 8200 Byron Ave. Stern and his wife two days ago reported spotting "flying saucers" in the sky above their residence.

The film showed a bowl-shaped image with a projection on top.

The object looked like a ball of fire. It was not clear enough, however, to be diagnosed as a flying saucer or meteor.

Mayher said what he saw in the sky was "crystal clear" and that as fast as it was traveling, he noted detail in the object or phenomenon.

The Leatherneck said he went to the home of the Sterns on a hunch. He was not acting officially for the Marines but on his own initiative. He checked out the 16-millimeter camera from the MCAS yesterday afternoon.

He had requested permission of the Sterns to watch the sky from their home. Along were his wife, Eleanor, and a friend. They arrived at the Stern home about 9:05 p.m.

Neighbors Shouted

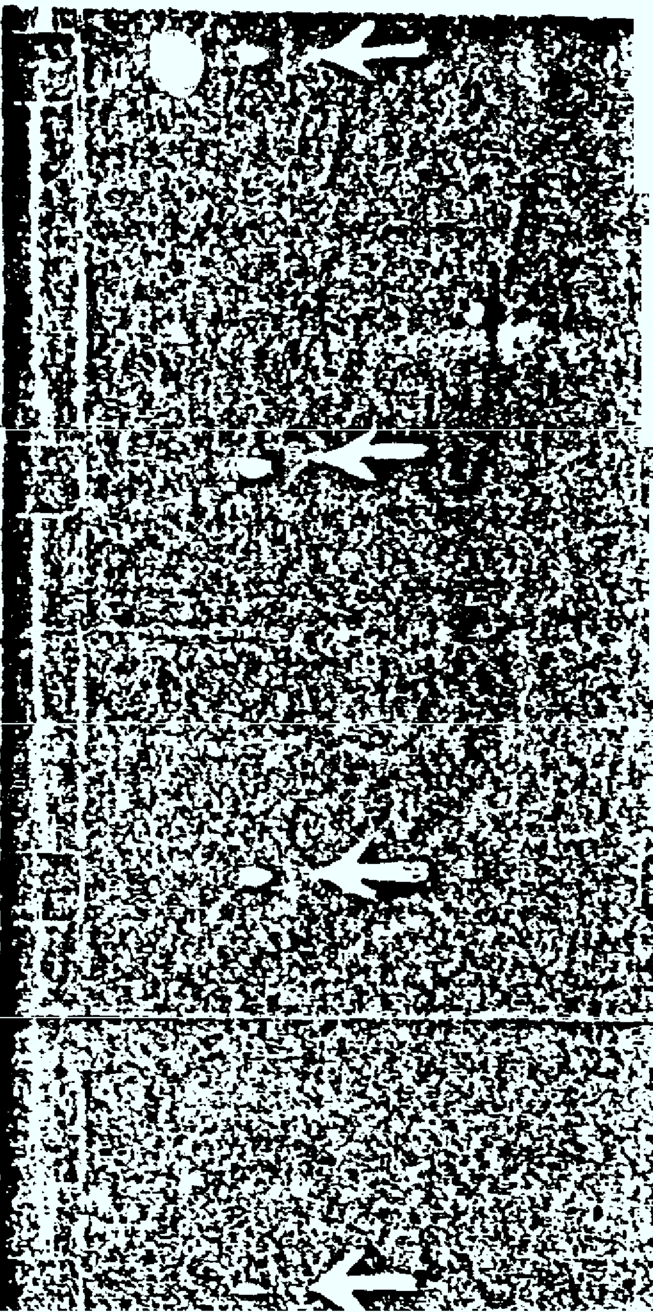
About 9:30 p.m. they heard neighbors shout, "Look there, in the sky!"

For several seconds, Mayher recalled, "We saw nothing. Then an orange, yellowish - shaped object appeared. I pulled out my camera and shot about 40 feet of film."

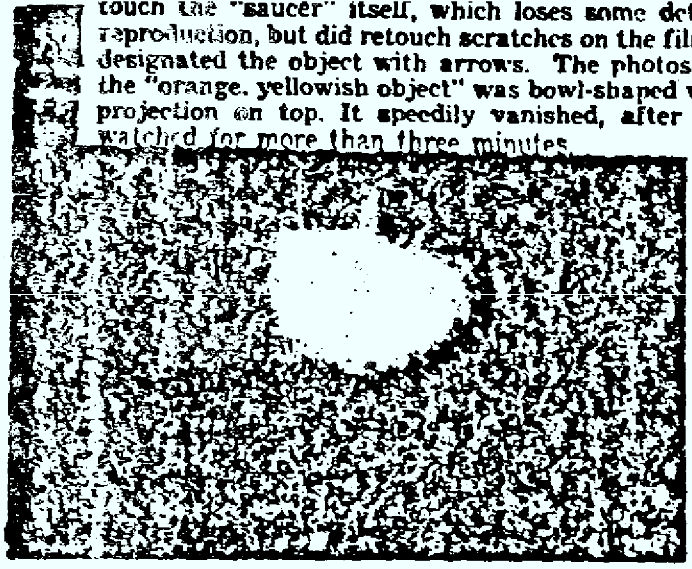
After more than three minutes, the object disappeared. Mayher said his wife and the friend saw the object, along with other residents in the area.

The Marine then called the officer-of-the-day at Opa-locka, and he and a Public Information Office sergeant went to the Stern house and obtained the film.

Marine officials at the Air Station had no comment to make on the photos. They stressed the fact that Mayher was acting in a non-official capacity. "All we did was process the film," one officer commented. MIAMI-DAILY-NEWS



Four views of the "flying saucer" that flashed over Miami Beach last night are reproduced here from the film taken by Marine Pfc. Ralph C. Mayher. The film was released without comment by Third Marine Air Wing officials. Miami Daily News artists did not retouch the "saucer" itself, which loses some detail in reproduction, but did retouch scratches on the film and designated the object with arrows. The photos show the "orange, yellowish object" was bowl-shaped with a projection on top. It speedily vanished, after being watched for more than three minutes.



Blown up to 10 times its size from a 16-millimeter film negative, this is an unretouched photograph of an object seen by a Marine cameraman who was hunting for "flying saucers" at Miami Beach

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Photographed Object Is Called Plane's Light

JULY-31-1952

OK

The latest theory about the "orange, yellowish object" seen and photographed over Miami Tuesday night is that what was spotted was the front light of an airplane coming in for a landing at International Airport

John L King, an aerial gunner during World War II, said today he is certain that what he saw in the vicinity of where the object was photographed by a Marine was the light from a plane

Films To Washington

A Miamian who works in the control tower at the field reported that a plane was due to land in Miami about 30 mintes after the object was seen in Surfside It was coming from the east, he added

Pfc. Ralph Mayher, who was looking for "flying saucers"

only caught it in eight frames however.

It was reported, meanwhile, tha the pictures plus statements by Lt Cmdr. Joe Gardner, Lt. Joe Mili and Lt. I. M. Blum, Navy pilot who also said they saw the object will be turned over to the Ai Force in Washington.

"On A Hunch"

"On a hunch" Mayher went to the Surfside home of Stern wh two nights earlier had reported seeing an object in the sky traveling at great speed. Mayher photographed the object on 16-milli meter film. He said it was traveling "more than 2,000 miles a hour."

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Marine officials in Miami re

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#15. FEB. 6? 1953. BRIDGEPORT, CONN. 41¼°, 73¼ . A large explosion a
rocked Connecticut, on 2 separate days, one accompanied with a flas
light.

#16 FEB. 8, 1953. 1:10 AM. RUSAPE, SOUTHERN RHODESIA. A brilliant m
colored flash of light was seen, and a swishing sound was heard whe
warm, hollow metal cylinder landed on ground. The object was exami
by a Dr, Graham White of a British Rocket society, but details on o
never came out. Believed to be part of a weather balloon apparatus.

#17 FEB. 8 1953. 10:20 AM. BULAWAYO, SOUTHERN RHODESIA. 20°, 28°. F
saucers at a 700 foot altitude crossed sky. (COMMENT: This was only
few miles from the Rusape area where the unknown metal ball fell.)

#18. FEB. 9 1953. Night. FRANKLIN, VIRGINIA. 36¾°, 77°. A circula
silvery object about 35 feet in diameter, with windows hovered in s
for 2 nights. The windows appeared blue-lighted, while object gave
red light. It was supposedly chased by jets, which it quickly outra
(COMMENT: Saucers with windows are rare, but the colors of this ob
appear quite correct.)

#19 FEB. 9 1953. Night. Near CHERRY POINT, NORTH CAROLINA. A silver
saucer was seen from the ground. A marine pilot flew about 30 minut
trying to find it, then saw 2 red lights like plane lights move ver
ically 10,000 feet up in a few seconds. He raced toward object at 5
mph, saw a white hot object with 2 red side lights about 10 miles
away, before it disappeared in a flash of light when speeding away.
(COMMENT: The sudden disappearance in a 'lightflash' is similar to
many saucer report, where saucer speeds up so fast as to seem 'invis

#20 FEB. 10 1953. Morning. TUJUNGA, CALIFORNIA. (Near L.A.) A sauc
like object emitting smoke and flames appeared to change shape from
saucer to a Ball to a cigar, as it hovered in sky. (COMMENT: This i
rare report, similar to one over Richlands, Washington in July 1952
might be explained by the saucer showing different sides at interva

#21 FEB. 11 1953. Night. MARION, SOUTH CAROLINA. 34⅛°, 70½° Reside
observed a flying saucer.

#22 FEB. 11 1953. Night. MYRTLE BEACH, SOUTH CAROLINA. 33¾°, 78¾°.
crossed sky. This may have been same object as Marion report, but n
details are available.

#23 FEB. 11 1953. Evening. SURF CITY, NEW JERSEY. 39⅔°, 74¼°. A hug
blue white or reddish ball of fire appeared to fall into sea after
noiselessly crossed sky. (COMMENT: This description fits a meteor,
report included only because of 2 reports the same night over N. C.

#24 FEB. 12 1953. 8;15 P.M. WASHINGTON, DC. 39°, 77°. A saucer w
watched at nearby Kensington for a short time. No other details fro
report on radio.

#25 FEB. 12 1953. Night. POINT ARENA, CALIFORNIA. 39°, 123¾° A bri
white light observed in sky. No other details given, and this may b
meteor.

#26 FEB. 12 1953. Night. PALESTINE, TEXAS. 31¾°, 95¼°. A flying ob
carrying one red and one green light observed by engineer through
binoculars. Local radio station also besieged by many local observe

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But sometime later, Hennecy, the electric co-op foreman, heard that a plane or meteor had fallen near the co-op's substation so he, accompanied by Grady Lewis, went to check the area to see if any of the REA's property had been damaged.

Hennecy gave this account.

While he and Lewis were driving through the area, they saw an object at an altitude of about 1,000 feet. They lost it. But later, when on the Mullins Highway, they saw the object hovering over a house near the highway. They drove about two miles and got directly under it.

The object, when first sighted, was distinguished by a bright yellow light but when they got under it the light went out and they then saw a group of at least 12 red, green and yellow lights arranged in a diamond shape. After they were under it, the object began to move, first slowly and then with a burst of speed. It disappeared in the northeast after they had chased it along the highway at 70 miles an hour.

John O. Lewis Jr., the newspaper correspondent, said he, his father and Paige had seen the lights about 6:30 p. m. near the spot where Hennecy and Mrs. Smith had reported seeing them. Hennecy discounted the Lewis belief that the object was a blimp or a jet plane because, he said, it cruised too slowly at times and then too fast at other times.

Unexplained Object Seen By Several at Lake View

LAKE VIEW, Feb. 14 (Special)—That may have been a meteor which was reported Friday about 6:30 p. m. If so, what was the lighted object some other people around here saw at 10:30 the same night?

Three men who saw a red and white illuminated shape moving northeastward at that hour, also report hearing a sound like an electric motor or an auto engine with a knock in it.

Travis Cook, Kenneth C. Dew and Lowell Perrit related today their experience. They were driving southwesterly on Highway 41 below Lake View when the object was sighted. They turned around and stopped the car, getting out. The object moved almost overhead, they insisted, going slowly northeastward. They counted four lights.

As to the early manifestation: Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Perritt were a little way east of Lake View at 6:27 p. m. They saw an object moving through the sky. It was yellowish in the forepart, shading to an orange glow toward the stern. The Perritts thought it was a meteor. Maybe it was. It would be a mighty odd meteor that came back four hours later, people around here think.

D. [illegible]

More "Flying Saucers"

Feb-27-1953

Report of se[illegible] strange light in the sky this morning makes the third "flying saucer" possibility in the Conneaut area this week. Two others were reported at Erie and another at Amherst, O.

The latest report was made this morning from residents of Monroe Township. The light was seen about 6:05 a. m. in the western sky.

Of a yellow white light, the object was eye-shaped and appeared to be about eight inches across. It did not appear to move but the light shimmered. It was seen for possibly two minutes.

Two persons saw the light. The first to spot it thought at first it might be the light at a neighboring residence, or the reflection of a light within the room since it was still dark at 6:05.

Both ideas were eliminated. The second person saw the light from another room in the house.

The light did not disappear suddenly. The light had the strength of a welding flame, but not the bluish color. The distance away was not estimated, but the light was a considerable distance above the tree tops.

Reports of the strange lights continued to pile up along the North Carolina and South Carolina coastline. Three Myrtle Beach residents said they saw an unidentifiable object fly inland at about 1,800 feet last night. FEB-17-53

Moving Light Watched in Sky for Two Hours

Feb-14-1953

Monroe, Wis.—The ground observers corps post here reported to the Chicago filter center that an unexplained light in the sky was under observation for more than two hours early Friday.

Bill Rust, city editor of the Monroe Evening Times, was called to the post along with the Green county sheriff, Wilber Deininger.

Rust said he and the sheriff also saw the light, which he described as changing from red to green to white and moving slowly on a west to east course.

Mr. and Mrs. Enoch E. Huston and Mrs. Ralph Melton, the regular post observers, said that when first seen the light moved more rapidly and erratically than later.

Rust said nothing was visible except the light and that there was no noise. [illegible]

"Cigare volant" en Dordogne

FEB-21-53

Hier matin, Mme Aymard Madeleine allait ouvrir son poulailler lorsque, en grimpant le terrier qui y conduit, elle vit dans le ciel bleu un objet brillant ayant la forme d'une gaule avec, chose surprenante, une grosseur faisant suite à l'appareil mais ne paraissant pas être reliée. Sur le moment, Mme Aymard crut à une forme bizarre d'un nuage, mais quand elle vit l'appareil se déplacer à une grande vitesse sans émettre aucun son, elle appela un voisin, M. Delacour qui ramassait du genièvre sur le terrier. M. Delacour vit distinctement le cigare qui se dirigeait vers le bourg. D'autres personnes, alertées par les cris de Mme Aymard, scrutèrent un moment le ciel qui leur montrait celle-ci de loin, mais n'entendant aucun bruit, ne comprirent pas les gestes de Mme Aymard.

COMES A FLYIN' DOUGHNUT!

Feb-24-1953

Anybody lost a flying doughnut?

They spotted one about 3000 feet over Pasadena yesterday. It hovered around for a minute or two shortly after noon, then headed south — presumably in search of saucer, cup and coffee.

Teacher John Stots, of 1037 New York Dr., Altadena, said it hovered over him for a moment as he watched from Colorado Blvd. near Ave. 64, just

"It had a hole in the middle like a doughnut," he said.

Mrs Emily Chapman, 3765 Millicent Way, East Pasadena, said it made no sound and was very shiny.

"I never saw anything so brilliant in my life," she declared. "It disappeared when I went inside to phone my neighbor."

Police said they, too, had a call on the doughnut. But Pasadena Filter Center officials said it didn't turn up on their

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It Changes Shap
Excites Tujun

Feb-[illegible]

A "Flying Sauce changes shape!!!!!

That's the latest in what-is-it reports to D A. J. Drobatz, of Valle Station by residents of this morning.

The latest weirdie wa be suspended high in emanating flames and smoke. The half-dozen that excitedly called po it at times resembled then a triangle, then cigar. Space patrol notified.

On February 23, at 3:5 Robert Kain of Mariemon Ralph Venn, observed for onds, a metallic disc over lick Lake, near Goshen Kain, formerly an Air technician at Wright Fi the object emitted an inc whitish glow and trave faster-than-jet speed. T ject, minus protruding par bled characteristically flight, but left no trail in less sky. Kain said the was not a jet.

Visitors 'See Flying Sauce

Feb-2[illegible]-1953

They're at it again—th sive flying saucers

At least a Detroit co ported seeing some sor phenomena about midni day which had them ago most a half hour.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Andr ter visitors, were enjo evening at Mira Mar Bea suddenly a glowing light ed high in the sky to th

Fascinated, the coupl ed the vision as it glow white to orange, blue ous other hues. It would y travel with the speed and then rise to indete heights where it woul momentarily.

"I couldn't sleep the r of the night just about that thing," An ported. "I always thoug saucers were a lot of b after seeing what I did I'm now convinced there ing to it."

His amazement was with his wife who said th was absolutely fascinat eerie."

The Andrews are va here at 200 W. Grove S

Sarasota Herald T

#27 FEB. 13 1953. 4:00 to 5:00 AM. BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA. 37¾°,122¼. A very bright light resembling a star, hovered one hour, disapeared several times, and finally disappeared by crossing sky in one minute. (COMMENT: The exceptional period of observation, between 1 and 2 hours suggests this may have been a star under rare weather conditions but if final description of its moving off are correct, this would be a rare saucer report. Only a helicopter could perform such long hovering, and only air force would have them in this area.)

#28 FEB. 13 1953. 2 hours during morning. MONROE, WISCONSIN. 42½°,89½°. A light moved erratically and rapidly at first in sky, later slowed down, as it changed from red to green to white, while slowly moving from west to east. (COMMENT: This would appear to be a signal saucer object, except air force later stated it was a star under unusual weather conditions. How a star would move from west to east in sky was not explained by the air force investigators.)

#29 FEB. 13 1953. Afternoon. INVERNESS, ENGLAND. 57½°, 4¼°. 1 Oval grey object turned sideways, and appeared cigar-shaped, then darted back and forth at great speed, disappearing twice.

#30 FEB. 13 1953. 5:55 PM. DALY CITY & REDWOOD CITY, CALIF. 37½°,122½° A very bright object or light hovered and then moved back and forth for 12 minutes or more in sky. Other observers reported saucer-like objects with long blue flaming trails at the same time. (COMMENT: Any reports made between 5:30 and 6:30 PM should be considered very doubtful as the setting sun makes ordinary balloons and planes and vapor trails appear flaming or as bright saucer-like spots. This report very doubtful.)

#31 FEB. 13? 1953. A reddish sphere, about the size of moon, remained motionless for 15 minutes, then suddenly disappeared.

#32 FEB. 13 1953. 6:30 PM. MARION, SOUTH CAROLINA. 34⅛°, 70¼°. An object carrying a bright white light crossed sky heading north. Same object seen at Wilmington, N.C., believed to be a meteor.

#33 FEB. 13 1953. 9:30 PM. MARION, SOUTH CAROLINA. One yellow object at 1,000 feet disappeared; when observers were under it, its yellow light went out, and it had about 12 yellow, green, and red lights arranged in a diamond shape. It then began moving slowly, then so fast the 70 mph speed of car could not keep up. (COMMENT: This coloration unknown in saucer reports, and object may have been blimp)

#34 FEB. 13 1953. 10:30 P.M. LAKE VIEW, SOUTH CAROLINA. 34¼°, 79¼°. A red and white illuminated object making a motor noise crossed sky, and when overhead, was seen carrying 4 red and white lights. (COMMENT The motor noise is unknown in saucers, and object probably was blimp)

#35 FEB. 13 1953. 10:35? PM. LAKE VIEW, SOUTH CAROLINA. At about same time, another observer saw object hovering in sky, carrying 10 lights and making motor noise. COMMENT: Description almost same as at Marion,

#36 FEB. 15 1953. Evening. WHITEVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA. 34½°, 78¾°. A saucer reported here, no details available.

#37 FEB. 15 1953. 9:25 PM. SUDBURY, ONTARIO, CANADA. 46½°, 81°. A strange object obscured by a blue mist or halo hovered 10 seconds over

#38 FEB. 16 1953. Morning. MYRTLE BEACH, SOUTH CAROLINA. 33¾°, 78¾°. An unidentified object or light flew inland at an altitude of 1,000 feet, and was observed by 3 people.

#39 FEB. 16 1953. 10:55 P.M. SUDBURY, ONTARIO, CANADA. 46½°, 81°. A fiery red object with dark or silvery edges grew larger, and then shrank, appearing as a solid silvery ball when disappearing.

#40 FEB. 19 1953. 2:00 P.M. WILLETS, CALIFORNIA. 39½°, 123¼°. A saucer at great altitude crossed sky with tremendous speed.

#41 FEB. 20 1953. Midnight. SARASOTA, FLORIDA. 27¼°, 82½°. A glowing light in the sky changed colors, from red to white to blue, as it darted about at great speed, then stopping momentarily for a full half hour. (COMMENT: The object appears to be one of the colored light signal saucers discussed previously, if description of its movements is correct. If it only seemed to move, it may have been a star seen under rare wether conditions, although other stars were not seen to shine or 'move'.)

#42 FEB. 21? 1953. Daytime. Near MAGNOLIA, ARKANSAS. 33¼°, 93¼°. An object resembling a burning airplane with a smoking engine resulted in a 4½ hour search, no wreckage found, nor aircraft missing. (COMMENT: This is similar to other reports of 'burning airplanes' reported after a meteors passage, however daytime meteors are extremely rare. Barring possibility this was a planes vapor trail, or jet, object is mysterious and may be somehow connected with the saucers.)

#43 FEB. 21 1953. Evening. STURGEON BAY, WISCONSIN. 44¾°, 87¾°. An object carrying red, green and white lights, blinked at intervals, like a beacon in the sky. (COMMENT: This also may be a signal saucer.)

#44 FEB. 22 1953. Morning. WILLETS, CALIFORNIA. 39½°, 123¼°. A saucer at great height crossed sky with tremendous speed. (See Feb. 19 rept.)

#45 FEB. 22 1953. 3:30 P.M. ERIE, PENNSYLVANIA. 42⅛°, 80°. A large, shiny or silver chrome saucer, possibly 150 feet in diameter, moved very slowly and noiselessly toward Cleveland for 5 to 8 minutes. (COMMENT: Any saucer report over 1 minute, is very unusual. This may possibly have been a large weather balloon, under inflated at low altitude, although it should not have appeared silver-chrome and brightly reflecting the sun.)

#46 FEB. 22 1953. 4:00 P.M. CONNEAUT, OHIO. 42°, 80½°. A spherical object, silvery or aluminum in color, shone brightly as it headed slowly over Lake Erie at 1500 foot altitude. (COMMENT: This seems to back belief object seen at nearby Erie, Pa. 30 minutes before was a balloon, now inflated to a sphere at a greater height.)

#47 FEB. 22 1953. Very late Evening. FAIRPORT, OHIO. 41¾°, 81¼°. A brilliant ball of light, apparent size of a silver dollar, slowly disappeared over the lake. (COMMENT: If precise time were known, this object could be identified. If it was just after sundown, it could have been sunlight shining against a balloon. If several hours after sundown, balloon would be invisible since it had no lights, and it would have been a balloon.)

#48 FEB. 23 1953. 7:00 A.M. BEAUVAIS, FRANCE. 49½°, 2°. A large, luminous pink, bowlike object (flattened sphere), flew over terrain horizontally for 40 seconds, then rose vertically several seconds.

#49 FEB. 23 1953. 3:25 to 3:35 PM. MONTFBIN, FRANCE. 44°? 4°? A circular metallic, but intensely brilliant object hovered motionless for nearly 10 minutes, then disappeared vertically. Observed by the radio navigator in the french air force.

#50 FEB. 23 1953. Noontime. COOS BAY, OREGON. 43½°, 124½°. A cigar-like object or spherical object with extensions on it, appeared just to the west of the sun. (COMMENT: This area has many balloon flights, and it is probable this objects lack of motion would include it among balloon flights.

#51 FEB. 23 1953. Daytime. Near GOSHEN, OHIO. 39¼°, 84¼. A metallic saucer, emitting a white glow at intervals, wobbled as it crossed sky faster than a jet. Observed by 2 men, one a former A.F. Technician.

#53 FEB. 23 1953. Evening? SOUTHPORT, CONN. 8 Glowing saucers in a bo formation, hovered 2 minutes, then swiftly disappeared.

#54 FEB. 23 1953. Evening. CONNEAUT, OHIO. 42°, 80½°. Strange light seen here again, and also at AMHERST, OHIO. No other details availab

#55 FEB. 23 1953. 4:00 P.M. NIMES, FRANCE. 44°, 4½°. An unknown obje slowly crossed sky, leaving luminous vapor trail that was at first th and horizontal, but later curled up in less than a minute, after becoming shaped like a circle.

#56 FEB.23 1953. Evening. STURGEON BAY, WISCONSIN. 44¾°, 87¾°. Same bright light changing colors observed again. (See report #43)

#57 FEB. 24 1953. Morning. ERIE, OHIO. 42⅛°, 80°. Flying saucer was seen in area again, by milkman.

#58 FEB. 24 1953. Evening? OLEAN, NEW YORK. 42°, 78½°. A light glow in sky changed color from red to orange for short time.

#59 FEB. 25 1953. 11:00 A.M. BLIDA, ALGERIA. 36½°, 2½°. Two unidenti aircraft or objects, flew noiselessly flew with great speed across sk leaving a circular white vapor trail path that remained for some time

#60 FEB. 25 1953. Daytime. SERIA, BRUNEI STATE, BORNEO. 5°, 114°. A circular object hovered in sky 40 minutes, left a vaportrail. (COMMEN A letter from the Education Dept. director in response to our reque to the Borneo papers stated this was Venus shining brightly, visible noon time the next day also. The exceptional duration tends to back t conventional theories of a star or balloon, although newsversions see to describe a usual rotating, circular saucer)

#61 FEB. 26 1953. Morning. PERIGEUX, FRANCE. 45°, 1°. A brilliant cylindrical object, followed by a shapeless object appeared in sky. T very large shapeless object moved away with great speed, noiselessly, and the pole-like or cigar shaped object turned towards city and move across part of sky for 1 minute. (COMMENT: This appears to be a rare report of a saucer seen with the cigar-shaped objects, first reported over Sweden in 1946. The eywitnesses said object moved in different directions, and moved too fast to have been clouds of any sort.)

#62 FEB. 27 1953. 6:05 AM. MONROE TOWNSHIP, OHIO. 42°, 80½°. A very brilliant yellow white light, elliptical or eyeshaped, hovered for 2 minutes in the western sky. It appeared about '8 inches' across, and had the brilliance of a welding flame, but not the color.)

ADVERTISEMENTS

The Review unqualifiedly recommends the following magazines and book as excellent sources of information on flying saucers, for any person interested in building his collection, and following the subject.

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FLYING SAUCER NEWS (England)

This is a mimeographed magazine, printed 4 times a year, and has from 10 to 20 pages per issue. It carries letters from its readers, their theories of saucers, and giver coverage primarily on English, European and Asian reports, send it by readers.

The fourth issue is about to be printed, and small numbers of the 3 back issues are still available for those interested in them. It is written and printed by [redacted], president of the [redacted] HOVE, ENGLAND.

Subscription rates are $1.00 per4issues, made payable to [redacted] or [redacted].(This price includes membership card and lapel pin.) Delivery of these takes 3 weeks via seamail, so order promptly.

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AUSTRALIAN FLYING SAUCER MAGAZINE

This is a printed magazine, also issued 4 times a year, and has from 10 to 12 pages per issue. It carries opinions and theories from readers, 1 or more American saucer photos, and many reports primarily from Australia and New Zealand, but also from the US and Europe.

The 3rd issue is about to be printed, and small numbers of the 2 back issues are available. It is printed by [redacted] president of the [redacted], [redacted] NEW SOUTH WALES, AUSTRALIA.

Subscription rate is $1.00 per 4 issues, made payable to [redacted] or [redacted] DO NOT make payment out to the [redacted] as it is not usable.

Delivery takes 6 to 8 weeks, and prompt ordering is necessary. If you send order to Australia, send only via airmail, as seamail also takes another 6 to 8 weeks.

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FLYING SAUCERS ARE REAL (Pocketbook)

Although this was the first saucer book to be printed in May 1950, it still remains the most important and informative one since the books of Charles Fort in 1930. It contains the history of the major saucer reports from 1947 to 1950, how Donald Keyhoe began his now famous work under the sponsorship of True magazines studies of saucers by John DuBarry and Sam Boal, and his conclusions they are unquestional from space.

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If you already have a copy, we suggest a second copy which can be used to cut reports from for your saucer report scrapbook collection, since cost is very small for large number of reports in book.

#63 FEB. 27. Evening. BRANTFORD, ONTARIO. 43⅛, 80¼°. A very intense bright light, much brighter than an airplane, hovered in sky 20 minutes, gradually shrinking in size until disappearance.

#64 FEB. 28 1953. Evening. BURLINGTON, IOWA. 40¼°, 91°. A reddish ball of fire or light hovered over city 45 minutes. Observed by 20.

#65 FEB. 28 1953. 8:25 P.M. SALEM, OREGON. 45°, 123°. A large white light, apparent size of a football, with a long tail, crossed sky, and exploded, shooting out several small balls of fire, which burned out in air. Local observers believed object was a fireball meteor.

OVERALL SAUCER PATTERNS, AND CONCLUSIONS

#1 QUALITY OF ACTIVITY PATTERN: The classifications listed below of the types of objects are very approximate and doubtful, due to short period of observation in most reports. A sphere may appear as a flat disc when seen at great distance: a disc may appear cigar-shaped if seen only edgewise, or vice-versa; A disc may resemble a sphere if seen 'fullface' and rotating, especially on a hazy day.

Other than something unknown and/or strangely maneuvering was see the classifications are the best that can be made under these difficu conditions. Daytime objects are classified as well as possible by shapes and night object by color, since they are rarely seen well enough at night to describe shape. Each report is given a 1½% basis i total of reports, as more exact basis is not too useful in the very approximate classifications.

DAYTIME REPORTS

SAUCERS	SPHERICAL	CIGAR-LIKE	FALLING AIRPLANE	BALLOONS?	STAR?
22 =33% (1,2,3, 4,6,13, 14,17,18 20,21,22 24,29,36 40,44,49 51,53,57,59	2 = 3% (39,48)	3 = 4½% (8,26,61)	1 = 1½% (42)	10 = 15% (16,30,31 33,34,35 45,46,47 50.)	1=1½% (#60)

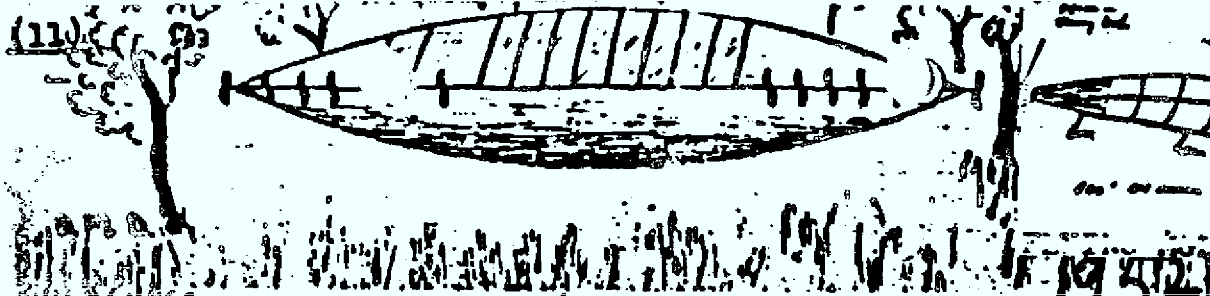
NIGHT REPORTS

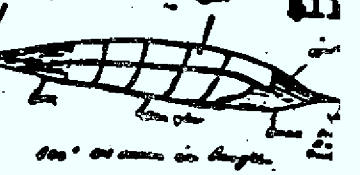
(Only colors given as shapes are rarely seen)

YELLOW TO RED	BLUE GREEN	NO COLOR GIVEN	COLOR CHANGED	METE
5 = 7½% (12,19,58,62 64)	2 = 3% (11, 37)	8 = 12% (9,15,25,27,32, 38,54,63)	5 = 7½% (26,28,41,43, 56)	5 = (7,1 15,2 65.)

#2 AMOUNT OF ACTIVITY PATTERN: These classifications are also very approximate, but indicate some minor trends. From a general southern coverage of the south last month, activity now seems about equally he from entire country, except continued weakness in NW. The Northeast i most notable in its increase from very slight activity to heaviest activity of all areas.

NORTHWEST	SOUTHWEST	MIDWEST	NORTHEAST	SOUTHEAST
3 reports (#11,50,65)	10 reports (#4,6,14,20, 25,27,30,31, 40,44.)	12 reports (#26,28,42, 43,46,47, 51,54,56, 57,62,64.)	16 reports (#1,5,7,8,9, 10,12,15,23, 24,37,39,45, 53,58,63.)	12 reports (2,18,19,21, 22,32,33,34 35,36,38,41





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A "FLYING SAUCER" similar to this drawing was reported seen by Bill Squyres, radio entertainer on a Pittsburg, Kan., radio station early this week. Squyres told the NEOSHO DAILY DEMOCRAT the "turtle shell" looked "like an object made in the United States which was piloted by humans, not some man from Mars." He sketched this drawing, which later was retouched by Neosho's Don Draper. The only details missing in this drawing from his description are more propellers which were deleted in order to show the windows better. Squyres said he saw the object hover in a field near Pittsburg early in the morning while he was on his way to work. He said it suddenly rose straight up in the air like a light cord when he approached, sounding "like a covey of a hundred quail taking off." The man described the "saucer" as having a dull aluminum appearance with a blue light radiating from the windows. He said he "definitely saw a human in one window." [illegible]

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'Went Up Straight as A Light Cord' Out of Sight, Says Squyres

'Sort of Wiggled,' Had 'Whole Bunch of Propellers' at Middle

AUG-26-1952

By BOB McKNIGHT

A Pittsburg, Kan., radio entertainer today told the NEOSHO DAILY DEMOCRAT that he saw a "flying saucer" early yesterday which looked to him "like an object made in the United States and which was "piloted by humans, not some man from Mars."

Bill Squyres, on the staff of radio station KOAM, Pittsburg, said he definitely saw a human being behind a window in the front part of the object.

Squyres, who plays a guitar and sings on a 6:15 a. m. broadcast, said he was on his way to work when he saw the object hovering near the ground in a heavily wooded area seven and a half miles northeast of Pittsburg.

He lives near Frontenac, Kan., about nine miles from Pittsburg.

Squyres said it had a dull aluminum appearance and was about eight to 10 feet from the ground, "sort of wiggling."

"My hair rose straight up on the back of my head," he said. "It was about 75 feet long and about two-thirds as wide as it was long."

He said he got out of the car where the object was hovering, when it suddenly rose straight up and out of sight.

"It sounded like a covey of a hundred quail taking off," Squyres said. "It went up straight as a light cord."

He said when he first started toward the object he got a good look at it. He said the motors were idling and sort of throbbing. He drew a picture of it for the DAILY DEMOCRAT.

It looks like two turtle shells or two platters joined together with "a whole bunch of propellers right where the two halves are joined together."

Toward the front was a window with a glaring blue light, and he said "I definitely saw a human being through the window."

A few feet back were several more windows in the middle. There also was a blue light, he said, but it fluctuated from dark to light blue. Squyres said he noticed considerable activity in that section "like a window shade pulled down. I could see figures moving back of it."

Apparently this is the first case which has been brought before the public of a "flying saucer" in which humans have actually been seen.

George Massey, station announcer; Leo Stafford, chief engineer; Marcel Stewart, salesman, and Squyres all went back out to see the spot. They all said they saw where the weeds were blown down and where something had been. Squyres said it looked like the backwash of where the thing took off.

Samples of those weeds and the surrounding earth are being tested at the Pittsburg State Teachers college for exhaust marks, chemicals, and other un-

Squyres, however, said there would be no exhaust marks or steam, as the object "just swished up into the air."

Bob Green, who is reported to be working on his PhD at the school, is working on the tests. Green also sent samples to the AAF laboratories at Dayton, Ohio.

Pittsburg police officers said they went out but couldn't find where the weeds were beaten down, possibly because of an early morning rain.

Squyres said the officers didn't find anything, because an officer told him that they didn't get out of their car but looked the area over from the road.

The Pittsburg paper didn't give the story much play, although editorial staff personnel said they were convinced Squyres was telling the truth.

Squyres is married, 42 years old and the father of two children. He has been a radio entertainer most of his life, starting in Kansas City in 1936. He spent five years with station KITE, and has been back in Pittsburg nearly one year.

"They're not about to make me retract this information," he said. "I'm not going to let them give me shots or anything else to make me say I didn't see it."

Asked if it might have been a mirage or similar phenomenon he said:

"You don't hear a mirage."

Squyres is quiet, modest and was described as "not looking like a publicity hound."

He said no one from the air force or the FBI has called on him yet. "But I expect that they will."

Neosho Daily Democrat

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SPECIAL FEATURE - PITTSBURG, KANSAS LANDING.

BACKGROUND: The August-September 1952 period was probably the most interesting time for saucer reports to date, due to the unprecedented number of saucers that appeared landing or landed. The widely separated areas these reports came from backs the possibility they were genuine, and these reports are of such interest as well as possible importance, that each issue will have one or more such reports discussed in this feature section. This issue reprints the PITTSBURG, KANSAS report clipping and original drawing.

AUTHENTICITY: The sighting was made by only 1 person, and therefore does not have the weight of several reputable observers. According to local newspapers, Squyres was generally known as modest, not given to flights of fancy.

In his recent book, Keyhoe stated Air Force was impressed by his report, and considered it quite reliable. Another writer who interviewed Squyres, informs me he also cannot read nor write, and was not too well educated, and it thus seems unlikely he could have read another report or had a reading background to have formed so detailed a hoax.

SIMILARITIES TO OTHER REPORTS:

(1) This object does not resemble the great mass of featureless saucers reported in the past. The only other report it slightly resembles is the Chiles-Whitted report of July 1948 from Alabama. However, this had large transparent windows on top and bottom, and was rocketship-like in shape.

(2) We again have the rotating extensions along the object, similar to 2 Object mentioned in review #7, page 14 and 15. These extensions, however are again dissimilar in shape from the Maxatawney and Garden City reports.

(3) The bright blue glowing windows are quite similar to the 1948 Chiles report; this is rarely mentioned in any saucer report. Of some interest is that such bright lighting would be used by a spaceship from a blue-white star, (like Vega), or from a planet close to the sun (like Venus), rather than from a dimly lighted planet like Mars, whose light is primarily of the red spectrum. This also conflicts with sharp saucer increases during Mars approaches, and may mean Mars is a space station for them, rather than as their real origin.

(4) The observation of a "human being" is a new feature, rarely reported since 1947. Since Squyres said light in window was glaring and he was not much closer than 100 feet, it is more probable he saw a "human-like form. All present data and logic points to only non-humans in saucers.

(5) The throbbing sound of idling motors is very unusual, rarely is reported. It is possible they power only moving propellors, while usual noiseless engine operates saucer at supersonic speeds. The vertical rise of the object completely rules out any known US aircraft.

CONCLUSION: This report appears to be most authentic of all landing reports for important Aug-Sept. 1952 period. The humanoid descriptions also appears the most authentic made in recent reports, to our belief.

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GENERAL INFORMATION SHEET
for FLYING SAUCER RESEARCHERS

HISTORY

During 1950, the president of the group read a copy of the book, "FLYING SAUCERS ARE REAL" by Donald Keyhoe. It was the first serious study of the subject from all possible viewpoints, and created a very strong case against such superior aircraft being from any known country, leaving only the fact they must be from outer space.

During the next year, reports were collected from all possible sources, including magazines, newspapers, and by writing for back issue newspapers. During the spring of 1951, the idea of printing an amateur magazine with an available mimeograph machine took shape, with the idea of exchanging it with persons with local clippings of reports.

The first issue of the Review was printed in late August 1951, and 6[illegible] copie [illegible]re sent to others interested in the subject. Ads were placed in several maga- [illegible]es, including Fate; more persons were reached for clipping-magazine exchange.

By 1953, this method of receiving reports became too great to handle becaus of heavy correspondence, and decided to order news clipping services, and charge members for the magazine, and have them send in clippings to supplement services

PRESENT MEMBERSHIP

Present membership is under 600, in the US, and about 60 throughout Canada, England, and Australia, but is steadily rising at more than 30 per week. More ads are planned in the near future for science and sciencefiction magazines, and at present, we have an ad in the JAN 1954 FATE magazine, and a small editorial plug in TRUE MAGAZINE, NOV 1953, both on the stands. Also on sale now is the book 'FLYING SAUCERS HAVE LANDED' by Desmond Leslie, containing one chapter that lists an entire issue of the Review #5 as an example of report activity.

Several prominent members include IVAN SANDERSON, noted explorer, author, zoologist and radio-TV speaker; JOHN DUBARRY, Associate Editor of TRUE MAGAZINE and author of aviation and saucer articles. WILLIAM NASH, airline pilot who made the famous July 1952 sighting over Norfolk, Va. where 8 objects travelling at speeds over 12,000 mph were observed; and also 2 scientists associated with branches of atomic work.

As a rule, membership is very varied, including reporters, psychiatrists, restaurant owners, furniture dealers, and college students, including one in an Intelligence school in Pakistan. One former member was Professor Gerald Heard, author of many philosophic books including "IS ANOTHER WORLD WATCHING". In 1952, he left group to form the Civilian Saucer Investigations, which has suspended operation. Others are in the Air Force, Army, Marines, and Navy, but are not connected with any military investigation of the subject.

OTHER SAUCER GROUPS

There are more than 33 known civilian and government groups throughout the world studying the saucers. Of these, 16 small civilian groups are in the US, plus one government military group at Dayton, Ohio, under the AIR TECHNICAL INTELLIGENCE COMMAND.

In the past, there has been at least 9 other US government branches who hav been incidentally involved in the subject, or have made small studies in it, not to mention the dozens of scientists called in at times by these groups to give professional opinions on the data received.

The remaining 16 known groups are spread unevenly throughout the world, wherever exceptional numbers of reports have occurred in the past, to cause groups to form. Some governments now working on the subject are listed here.

1. AUSTRALIA - CIVIL AIR DEPARTMENT is working with Air Intelligence since May 1952, when a huge rocket-like object was seen over several hundr miles headed toward the sea, by nearly 100 witnesses.

2. BRAZIL - The FLYING SAUCER PROJECT is studing all reports since 5 photos wer taken of a saucer over Rio de Janeiro on May 7, 1952

3. CANADA - The DEFENSE RESEARCH BOARD has analysed reports since Jan. 1952,

with the aid of RCAF Intelligence, after exceptional number of reports were made. At first they worked with the RCAF, but now (2) have set up a costly observation station to observe saucers with TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT at Shirley Bay, Ontario.

4. CHILE - Air force has worked on subject since 1949, when several photos were taken by military groups in Antartic.

5. DENMARK - Unnamed government group has requested all personell to submit all reports of saucer like objects to their authorities.

6. ENGLAND - The DDI, a branch of the RAF, has worked on reports since 1947, and has just begun exchanging information with the USAF and South Africa.

7. FRANCE - The FLYING SAUCER DEPARTMENT was formed by government to study reports after exceptional number of French reports made in May-June 1952.

8. [redacted] - Has a group studying reports, no further information available.

9. NORWAY - It has studied reports since May 1952, when a saucer was observed over central Norway for 30 minutes by trained scientists.

10. SOUTH AFRICA - Has been studying reports for long period, and has begun exchanging information with British.

11. SWEDEN - The airforce has studied reports since 1946, when huge number of mysterious rocket-like objects called "Gost - Rockets" were seen, never explained.

12. RUSSIA - No direct news available, but gossip from news columns states they have four different studies being made on subject, plus some agents trying to find out whether other countries are causing them, or know what they are.

In addition, many other governments are also secretly studying reports, but only time will tell who they are and their conclusions.

RESEARCHERS COOPERATION WITH OTHER GROUPS

Naturally, cooperation with military groups comes under the heading of security information, and civilian exchange is not permitted. In addition, most US saucer groups are small, under a hundred members, and work on a competitive and not a cooperative basis.

However, foreign civilian groups are usually willing to exchange data on the subject, and usually have information not available in the US. The Flying Saucer Researchers exchange information with all groups willing to send either clippings, photostated reports or microfilmed reports. At present, this includes

1. FLYING SAUCER CLUB in England, who print their own quarterly "FLYING SAUCER NEWS" of European - Asian reports. It is headed by Richard Hughes.

2. AUSTRALIAN FLYING SAUCER BUREAU, who print their own Quarterly Bulletin of Australian and Asian reports. It is headed by E. R. Jarrold.

3. OURANOS MAGAZINE, which is printed by 2 persons, Eric Biddle and Marc Thirouin for their group, half in English, and half in French.

4. FLYING SAUCERS INTERNATIONAL headed by Max Miller, who prints a quarterly on general saucer information and gossip.

5. INTERNATIONAL FLYING SAUCER BUREAU, formerly printed a quarterly, SPACE REVIEW, with general saucer information and sciencefiction material. It was headed by Albert Bender, group now disbanded.

6. SAUCER PHENOMENA AND CELESTIAL ENQUIRY (S. P. A. C. E.) headed by Joseph Barbieri in Conn. It prints no magazine, but receives local reports and has groups meetings.

7. We are now copying 80 4" x 5" photo negatives from [illegible] files of the

Review that a huge increase was expected in after the May 1952 Mars approach, and this was the actual case. This issue was printed December 1951.

Reports continued to come in at an even rate until Nov. 1951, when an unprecedented new object appeared, the Green Fireballs. Our study of all known American aircraft and missiles, and meteor history showed these objects were no known flying weapon or meteor known in astronomical history.

We believe the fireballs are allied somehow to the saucers, having a common unknown origin; that their great brilliancy (differing from saucers unobtrusiveness meant they were probably some sort of signals, the green color as a similarity to Earth color seen from space (due to large amount of surface covered by water.) The meaning of these signals is not clear, although Donald Keyhoes new book states they may be warning us in handling atomic weapons which were being tested at time of fireball sightings.

Another object we have found, is a rare brilliant color-changing light seen about 15 times in the last 7 years. It is usually described as hovering from 10 minutes to [illegible] hours, continually changing from red to green to white. Its great brilliancy is also very different from the ordinary stealthy saucers, and we believe [illegible] is also a signal device of some sort.

FUTURE SAUCER ACTIVITY

On the basis of our present conclusions, we expect a great increase in the saucer reports to begin again with the approach of Mars in summer of 1954. Reports should increase during late spring, and reach their peak in late summer, with more reports of the occasional 'landings' reported in the past 3 years, and total numbers of dozens a day similar to July 1952.

We therefore appreciate any publicity aid given us in requesting public response in reports, that will help us maintain the best coverage in the coming important months of 1954.

(This summary of the History, work, and conclusions of the Flying Saucer Researchers was written by Elliott Rockmore, editor of group magazine and head of the organization. Permission is given to quote any part of this 5 page release, but we would appreciate being credited as the source of material. Requests of the readers of this release to send in eyewitness and newspaper reports would also greatly aid our work.)

New Zealand Civilian [illegible]cer Investigations, that wer[illegible]t out to all saucer groups for copying.

We also plan containing several other European, Australian, and New Zealand groups recently formed and publicised, when time permits.

In addition, we exchange information and clippings with several other groups and individuals whose background involves them incidentally in this subject. These include;

1. JOHN DUBARRY of TRUE MAGAZINE: This was the first important publication to finance a civilian study of the subject in 1949, printing its results in its Jan. 1950 issue titled "FLYING SAUCERS ARE REAL" by Donald Keyhoe. Later it printed a more detailed development of the story in a pocketbook edition of the same name.

Mr. DuBarry prepared and collated the material on the subject for Mr. Keyhoe prior [illegible] his investigation, and is the author of aviation magazines and one some[illegible]ticle in TRUE. He is at present the Associate Editor of TRUE.

2. I[illegible] SANDERSON: Is the author of many magazine articles and animal books written from experiences in several expeditions to Africa and South America. At present, he has his own radio show in Baltimore, appearing also once a week on Gerry Moores afternoon TV show, discussing natural history, and displaying animal specimens from his private collection. His former work in government bureaus and Intelligence departments, has given him many connections with inside information in the US and British government.

3. BORDERLAND SCIENCE RESEARCH ASSOCIATES of San Diego. A group of more than 1,000 in the US, distributes its own magazine, and studies many similar mysterious subjects, receiving many saucer clippings from readers. They have lent more than 12,000 clippings to us in the past 2 years.

COVERAGE OF REPORTS

At present, readers are sending in an average of 70 clippings a week, in addition to which an occasional old clipping collection will increase this number greatly. Total number of clippings received during the very active year of 1952 amounted to nearly 11,000, while total number this year is in excess of 4,000, including all sources.

All clippings received are processed by cutting them into lengths less than 6½", for filing lengthwise on 8½" x 11" pages in notebooks. Each report is filed on a separate page, in precise chronological order, to keep them from being confused with similarly dated reports.

A separate file is kept for specialised saucer subjects, including photos (2 notebooks of photos, hoaxes, vaportrails), sketches (more than 40), Inventors (1 notebook nearly fifty), magazine articles (6 notebooks), and half a dozen similar specialised subjects.

The number of reports in the files has never been counted, but with 105 notebooks filed, each with between 40 and 70 reports in each, total number of different reports is between 4,000 and 6,000 (not total # of clippings). In addition, several hundred large pages of negative films and photostats await processing into files.

Present report activity varies between 50 and 70 sightings a month, in the US, and this has filled 1 to 2 notebooks per month for the last 2 years. Notebooks are filed in two 4 drawer filing cabinets, with the third used only for correspondence and letterhead paper.

Within recent months, efforts have been made to make a more efficient coverage of reports, since many local sightings are printed in local area only. Although membership is excellent in most areas, it is weak in several, such as the southeast, northern Rocky Mountain states, and southwest, and we want to cover those areas also.

To date, we have 7 newspaper cutting services, respectively covering the areas of AFRICA, CANADA, USA, 11 EUROPEAN countries, SCANDINAVIA (4 countries), ENGLAND and its colonies, Coverage for the 4 areas of southern ASIA, AUSTRALIA, SOUTH AMERICA, and the FAR EAST will be ordered when agencies for such areas are located. Total number of clippings from this source averages about 100 per week, or 400 per month.

PRESENT RESEARCH WORK

All reports received are checked for source of report; all observers and newspapers printing reports are written to request any further details available, especially with drawings. An average of 35 newspapers and 35 eyewitnesses are written each month, of the more authentic reports.

All reports are checked for time, longitude-latitude, in case an object was observed in 2 places within a short time. Reports are also compared against previous reports, for similarity to 9 basic saucer types. Those now include;

1. Tiny spherical objects, 8 to 12" diameter.
2. Small saucers, about 40 feet in diameter.
3. [illegible] saucers, ranging between 100-250 feet.
4. Spherical objects, about 40' in diam.
5. [illegible]ular objects, resembling deltaplanes [illegible] being tested by many airforces.
6. Rocket-like objects, between 200 and 300 feet long.
7. Huge cigar-shaped objects, possibly between 1,000 and 2,000 feet long.(See new Keyhoe book)
8. Huge green fireballs, possibly some sort of signal devices.
9. Color changing brilliant lights possible some sort of signal.

Historical reports are also checked, but are very difficult to locate, and very costly to buy. Many appear to be cylindrical objects rather than saucer-like, but are equally mysterious in origin. All results of the FLYING SAUCER RESEARCHERS are printed in the group magazine, FLYING SAUCER REVIEW.

CONCLUSIONS ON SAUCER ORIGIN

The result of the many studies made on this subject by almost all civilian groups, and some government groups, is that saucers are unquestionably from space.

From our own research as the first saucer group, we find that reports of the past 7 years definitely tie in with approaches of Mars. Four huge increases of reports occurred on these dates;

1. July - Oct. 1946 Hundreds of 'Ghost Rocket' reports over Sweden.
2. June - July 1947 Hundreds of reports over entire USA.
3. March - April 1950 Hundreds of reports over entire world.
4. July - Aug. 1952 Huge increase in reports over USA, and world.

If the saucers are from another planet, one would expect reports to increase greatly as that planet approaches Earth, and a crossing becomes much shorter.

A check of all planetary position shows Mars was very close on 3 occaisions;

Jan. 1, 1946 MARS CLOSE OPPOSITION
MARCH 23, 1950 MARS CLOSE OPPOSITION
MAY 7, 1952 MARS CLOSE OPPOSITION

Our conclusions are that the source of the flying saucers is probably Mars. Their takeoff occurring just before the close approach of the planet, and arrival occurring several months after the approach. Present day rocket scientists state their calculations show this is the best method for a crossing or interplanetary flight, since a flight at any other time would have to cross 2 to 6 times of such distance. This would represent an increase from the small 35 million mile flight to 70 million up to 220 million miles.

The sole exception appears to be the June - July 1947 reports, but Donald Keyhoe stated in his first book that the European 'Gost Rocket' sightings continued in small numbers as late as Dec. 1946; whereupon the first flying saucers were seen in the US in Jan. 1947, and reached their tremendous peak in July 1947 with hundreds of reports per day.

This is generally taken to mean the first wave of saucers was actually part of the first phase of 'ghost rocket' sightings, and not directly from Mars as in following reports. Keyhoe has theorised they are flat, remote-controlled reconnaissance craft, while the thick rocket-like objects were passenger carriers.

On the basis of these increases, it was predicted in the #2 issue of the